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# Webb Miller's Graphic Eye-Witness Details of Air Raids Colony's RED RETREAT IN SALLA AREA STILL CONTINUES

By WEBB MILLER  
"United Press" War Correspondent

**HELSINGFORS, JAN. 19 (UP).—STALIN'S RED VULTURES AGAIN BOMBED HELSINGFORS TODAY.**

MANY OTHER TOWNS ALSO SUFFERED FROM INCENDIARY AND HIGH EXPLOSIVE MISSILES.

But, so well are the people drilled, the only casualty was one woman.

While the Russians maintained their undoubted superiority in the air, Finland was taking revenge on the northern, central and Salla fronts, hammering the weakening Red positions and, especially at Salla, threatening the Russian spearhead which earlier had sought to cross Finland's "waist".


Three air raid alarms kept Helsingfors on the alert throughout the afternoon.

The first was at 2.25 p.m. A second wave of Russian planes appeared five minutes later and the third wave came over at 3 p.m.

The raiders dropped bombs on the east, west and north outskirts of the capital, leaving the heart of the city unscathed.

From the tower of the Tornio Hotel, I watched the white clouds of smoke and dust billowing skywards as bombs exploded in Porvoo.

**NEUTRALS' NIGHTMARE**



How the Dutch see the war. Cartoon from De Groene, of Amsterdam.

## Hertzog Wants Separate Peace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CAPE TOWN, Jan. 20 (UP).—General Hertzog, the Anglophobe of German extraction who lost his Premiership when, in September, he opposed South Africa's overwhelming decision to range herself with the rest of the British Commonwealth in the war with Germany, is making another bid for peace.

He has notified his successor, General Smuts, that he intends to introduce into Parliament on Tuesday a motion calling for a separate peace between South Africa and Germany.

The motion is propagandic, as it has no chance of success. Since he lost the Premiership, his United Party has been in Opposition exile.

**FURTHER** war measures controlling communications into and out of Hongkong are published in to-day's Government "Gazette," prohibiting the conveyance or transmission, otherwise than by post, of a number of articles including newspapers, books, photographs, photographic film and postage or revenue stamps.

**PROHIBITED ARTICLES**  
The order states that on and after January 1 of this year no person shall convey to or from the Colony, otherwise than by post, the following articles:

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Any postage or revenue stamps.

Any impression of any die, seal or stamp of any Government department, diplomatic, naval, military and air force authority, appointed by or acting on behalf of His Majesty.

Any letters or memoranda.

Any article recording information by words, signs or otherwise.

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## VANDALS IN OUR MIDST

By JOHN BLUNT

BEFORE I even commence to collect my thoughts, I will preface my remarks with the assertion that the overwhelming majority of people who read this, will agree with whatever strictures I may pass.

I am taking it for granted that the heading (which is not my composition)—refers to trespass.

For the past couple of years or so, a state of affairs has developed in this Colony of ours, which can only be referred to as a "racket".

The beauty of our countryside is being sacrificed to this racket, and the amazing part is that no effective steps have, or are being taken to combat it.

Many decades ago, those who were entrusted with the development of Hongkong, realised that the ugliness of the barren hills might be transformed into a background—where every prospect pleased.

QURUBS and trees were imported. The work became so obviously necessary that a Botanical and

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## MRS. ROOSEVELT SPONSORS CHINA CO-OPERATIVES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Mrs. Roosevelt has permitted her name to go forward as one of the sponsors of the National Committee for the Chinese Industrial Co-Operatives now being formed in New York.

The Co-Operatives have been working in unoccupied China for 18 months, settling some of China's countless war refugees in new homes and industries in West China.

The New York Committee will endeavour to raise a fund to increase and extend the work.

## NAZIS' GREATEST DANGER

**R.A.F. Cameras Which Reveal Vital Secrets**

LONDON, Jan. 19 (Reuter). The Air Ministry has released a number of photographs taken by the R.A.F. over Germany.

These show an astonishing amount of detail regarding aerodromes, substitute landing grounds, ports, naval bases, railways, canals, rivers, military and commercial roads.

**Know Everything**  
It is stated that all movements are soon known to the Allies, who have a definite advantage in the matter of information.

Much useful work is done by comparison with earlier photographs of the same scene.

Each plane carries two cameras designed to work in the worst circumstances. During reconnaissance flights, British aircraft avoid contact with the enemy, for they seek information more useful to the Allies than the possible destruction of a German aerodrome.

**Vertical & Oblique Cameras**  
They fly in a straight level course over their objectives, using the vertical camera at a height of 2,000 feet and the oblique camera from 1,000 feet or less when necessary.

Within three hours of the aircraft return, the photographs are being edited by experts, to whom a stereoscope and magnifiers reveal much unseen even by trained aerial observers.

## Announcing "The Real Glory"

The "Telegraph" has obtained the serial rights of the famous American book, "The Real Glory".

It begins next Monday . . . a specially written and dramatised version of the story of the Philippines.

The author is Charles L. Clifford, who has written several serials for the "Saturday Evening Post" and other top-notch American publications.

"The Real Glory" is the story of the Philippines' birth as a nation and a people. It concerns the soldiers who were officers of the Philippine Constabulary, and opens on a chapter of history with which many old Hongkong residents will be familiar.

Interest is lent to this serialisation by the fact that a Hollywood version of the story will shortly be seen in Hongkong theatres. The serialisation has been produced by United Artists, and had been the subject of protest by President Quezon and other Philippine leaders.

Don't miss the opening chapter of "The Real Glory" beginning next Monday.

## Japanese Steamer Strands Off Antwerp

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Jan. 19 (Dome).—The N.Y.K. liner Tama Maru, 8,000 tons, was stranded near Shields off Antwerp while entering port this morning. The damage is reported to be slight.

## SENATOR BORAH WEAKER End Expected Any Time Now

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (UP).—It is officially announced that Senator William Borah was "a little weaker" at 2.45 p.m., and the doctors were unable to tell when a sudden change in his condition could be expected.

Afternoon callers at the Senator's apartment included Mrs. John Garner, wife of the Vice President, Mrs. Edward Gann, sister of the late Vice President Charles Curtis, and the Right Reverend James E. Freeman, Episcopal Bishop of Washington.

Floral tributes arrived in large numbers they included a spray from the Japanese Embassy.

**Sombre Senate**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (UP).—The Senate convened at noon to-day for a sombre six minute session in which only the most routine business was transacted.

Attaches explained that a Saturday session—an unusual procedure so early in the year if no pressing business is on hand—has been ordered owing to the desire of Senators to maintain a very close watch on Senator Borah's condition.

The Senators have scant interest in legislative subjects. Everywhere one hears the question: "How's Borah?"

**In Deep Coma**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Senator Borah is still in a deep coma. There is apparently no hope.

## Goodwill Flight NO CHANGE IN RATES

The existing valuation of the tenements in Hongkong has been wholly adopted as the valuation for the nine months from July 1, 1940 to March 31, 1941, according to a notification in the Government "Gazette" this morning.

## Denmark Determined To Maintain Neutrality

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—If necessary, Denmark must use the means at her disposal to protect and ensure respect for her peace and independence.

## HONGKONG TO VOTE

**Urban Council Election First In Eight Years**

Notification that a vacancy has occurred on the Urban Council necessitating an election is given in the Government Gazette issued to-day. Nominations of candidates to fill the vacancy are invited.

The last election was held in January 1932.

It is pointed out that each nomination must be in writing, signed by two electors, counter-signed by the candidate and delivered in a sealed envelope to the Presiding Officer at the Registry, Supreme Court not later than 1 p.m. on Wednesday, January 31.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the Registry, Supreme Court, where the registers of electors referred to in section 3 of the Urban Council Ordinance, 1935 may be inspected.

It is pointed out that it is the duty of every candidate to satisfy himself that his nomination form is correctly completed before delivery thereof to the Presiding Officer.

## GRAF SPEE AFTERMATH

**NAZIS TOLD TO REMOVE WRECK**

PARIS, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government of Uruguay has sent a note to Germany requesting that the wreck of the Graf Spee be removed within 60 days as it is a danger to shipping on the River Plate.

The object of the note is to establish Uruguay's rights in case she is obliged to remove the wreck herself.

## Lowlands Tension Slackens

BRUSSELS, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—There is a slackening in the tension in the Lowland countries.

It is announced that leave for the Belgian army will soon be resumed.

## Nazi Weapon Falls

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Discussing the threat to the Lowland countries, the "New York Times" says that if intimidation was intended by these recurring alarms, it should be clear to the Germans by this time that the weapon has failed.

It is by these alarms it is hoped to frighten the Allies into a super-Munich, it is based on an utter misunderstanding of the British, French and neutral psychology.

Every time it is used it is less progressive in potency and deprives any eventual onslaught of the element of surprise, which alone might bring success.

## Norway Faces War Threat

OSLO, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Danger of war was the subject of a talk given by King Haakon of Norway at a dinner on Thursday night.

Although so far Norway has been away to avoid war, many difficulties are confronted here. There is one ray of hope however—the solidarity of the Norwegian people.

King Haakon was confident that this would enable them to maintain a free and independent Norway.

M. Haakon, the Premier, said that their thoughts and good wishes went to Finland for an early and honourable peace.

## Efficiency Medal

Company Sergeant Major R. M. Britto, of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, has been awarded the Efficiency Medal.

## WESTERN FRONT

### Small Patrol Skirmish

PARIS, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—A military observer describes a small patrol skirmish on the Western Front.

About 25 Germans, he says, made a sudden attack on the French with hand grenades. The French replied with heavy fire and, leaving their shelter, pursued the Nazis for several hundred yards.

This, apparently, was an unexpected manoeuvre, for it took the Germans by surprise, and several slightly wounded men were captured.

## LATEST

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What did the Planter say —  
planting himself  
in his chair?



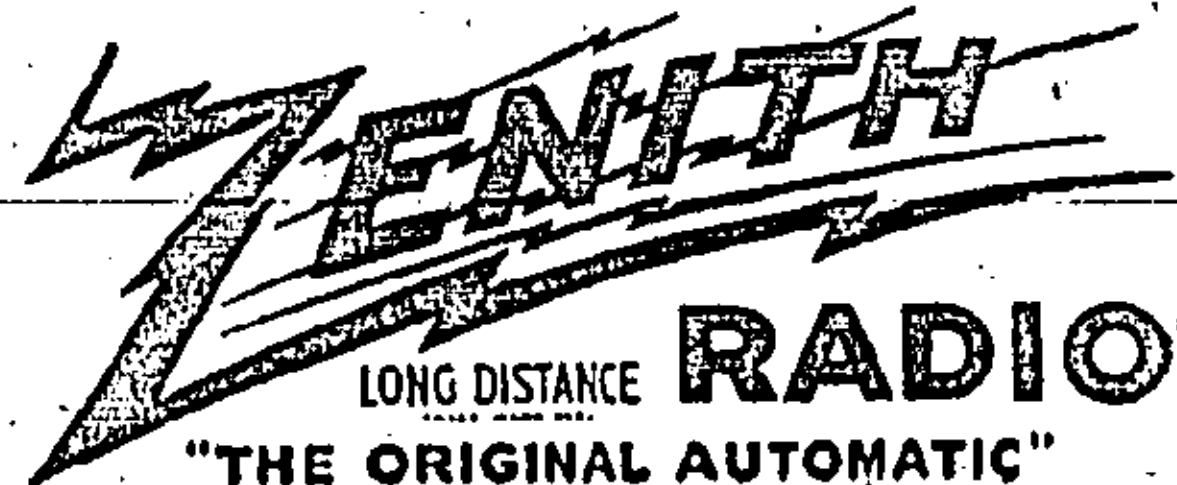
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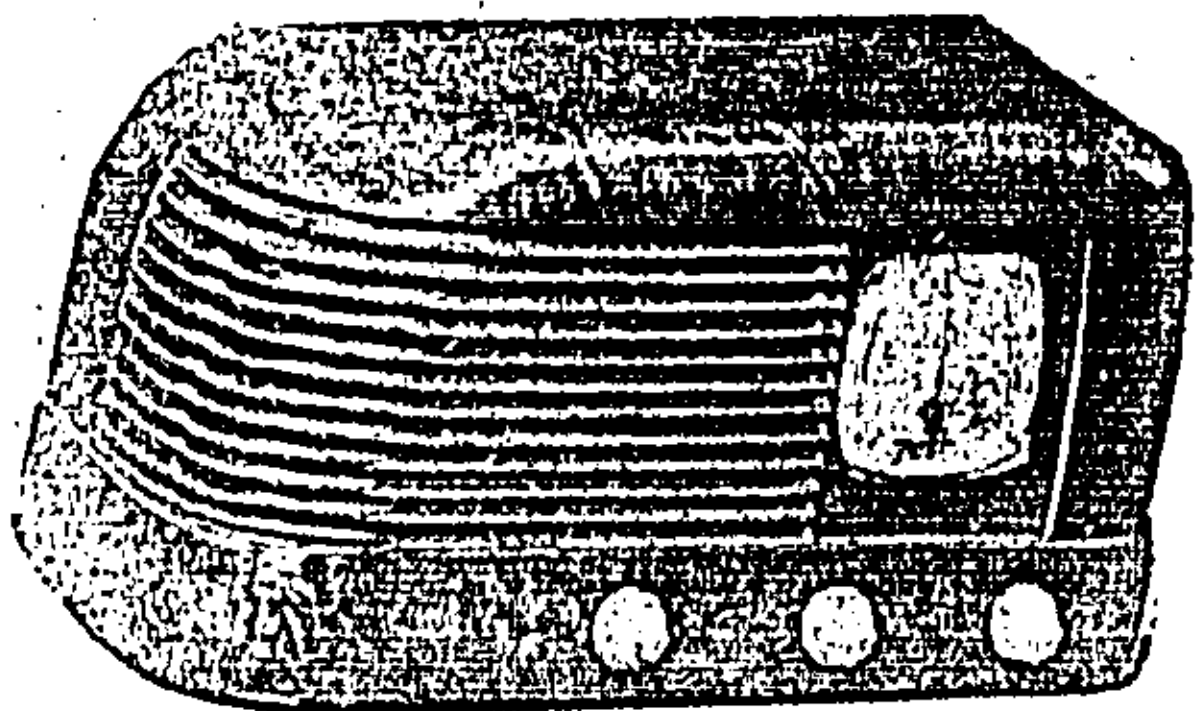
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## Why Nazis Have Sent Their Old Men To Front

The National-Sozialistische Korrespondenz, the Nazi news agency, has circulated in the German press an article by Captain H. von Rosenthal on the question why men of forty, who went through the Great War, have been sent to the front by the German Government. He writes:

In view of the experience of the world war, the use of incompletely trained soldiers in action is now strictly prohibited. In this war the only men sent into action are the only men who are being sent are those who have been prepared for their responsible duty by careful and thorough training. This enabled the Polish campaign to be carried to success without important losses.

The strict adherence to this principle is one of the reasons why in mobilising extensive calls were made on the older men, who had been in the world war. The war experience of the ex-soldier of the world war, his example as a comrade, and his perfect balance between soldierly courage and circumspection have saved the young army from a great deal of bloodshed. It is thanks to the ex-soldier that the losses have been so strikingly small. Things that are not to be learned in the most careful peacetime training have been learned by the young soldier, apart from his own experience, from listening to the man of forty, his older comrade, who has now been marching for the second time over foreign territory with his rifle on his shoulder. And in the mental crisis of the first experience of war the young recruit has often enough found support in the superior coolness of the experienced fighter.

### Inequality Of Treatment

Now, however, the ex-soldiers of 1914-18, most of whom have important civil occupations to attend to, are being gradually demobilised. This naturally takes time, and more time in some cases than in others. "In the case of certain special troops dependent on technical training it may take several months, so that there will inevitably be cases of hardship."

Another instance of apparent inequality of treatment, says Captain von Rosenthal, is that of the young men who volunteered for service but have not yet the satisfaction of being in uniform. They will be called upon in the course, but the training units are limited and cannot take every willing recruit in hand at once. "The existing human reservoir permits of foresight, well-regulated planning, and economical use of the existing reserves. Therein lies our strength. No other people has this in common with the Germans."

The German officer proceeds to support this interesting conclusion by an imaginative account of French perplexities. What of the British? He says nothing; he leaves us guessing.

### Hitler Youth In The Air

According to the "Volksischer Beobachter," the "Flieger-H.J." or Hitler Youth aviation group, will continue during the war to fulfil "its task of providing aviation reserves." In four years the Flieger-H.J. has been built up into a body of 100,000 young men in the making. The leader of the Nazi Aviation Corps has ordered that for the purpose of the close collaboration between the group and the corps the technical service which was largely suspended at the outbreak of war should be resumed wherever possible and that every opportunity of training shall be used. The training is long and very thorough attention is being concentrated at present on the youths of 16 and 17 years of age.

The theoretical instruction of course, includes discussion of the success of our air arm. The good results so far achieved in the technical training of the Hitler Youth trainees are evident from the tests passed, in which faultless flights of twenty seconds to more than five minutes are required. Of the Hitler Youth aviators some 30,000 have passed the A tests in recent years, 10,000 the B tests, and 300 the C tests. These results were obtained in week-end work at the schools of the N.S. Fliegerkorps and in the Flieger-H.J. summer camps.

The Hitler Youth aviators are trained for their A test in their sixteenth year; the test consists of a number of flights of 20 to 30 seconds' duration.

### DOES YOUR CHILD TAKE COLD EASILY?

Constipation turns a child's body into a breeding ground for germs of colds, coughs, catarrhs, bronchitis and worse chest complaints. Therefore if your child has a stubborn cold or cough, the first step to recovery is to make sure the "little bowels" act properly. But never use strong purgatives, they are weakening and cause a child to catch cold. Doctors and nurses advise, California Syrup of Figs because it is a pure fruit laxative, therefore safe. It relieves the system of the germ-breeding poisonous waste and breaks up a cold and cough when other remedies fail. A weekly dose will ward off further attacks.

Get a bottle to-day and be sure to ask for "California Syrup of Figs" brand. Obtainable from all chemists, druggists and leading stores.

## THE FUEHRAT SPEAKS...

(National 'Rat Week' Begins To-day)

THE Ratstag met last night in a well-known London sewer. The Fuehrat said:—

"Fellow-rudents,—  
"There are 50,000,000 of us in this land, more than one rat to every human being. Yet our rights are not recognised; we are an oppressed majority."

"We eat only 2000s of grain a day each, a mere 40-500bs. a year. Adding up the entire amount of food we eat and the excavations necessary to provide ourselves with living-space, we eat the British only £70,000,000 a year, little more than the price of 4,000 airplanes. The way we are treated is a scandal."

"We, the large brown-haired Nordic rats, came over here about two hundred years ago and almost entirely wiped out the decadent English black rat."

"Recently the non-Aryan ship's rat has been rapidly increasing. We can beat him easily on equal terms, but we cannot climb into rat-proof barns. The disgusting grey or black ship's rat can."

"Fortunately, the huts and temporary buildings which are being put up all over the country are nearly all raised less than nine inches from the ground, and so we, as well as the non-Aryan rats, can get inside."

"Fortunately, too, we can build nests and hide in all these sand-pans, and as we often travel long distances for our food the black-out helps us enormously."

"Another advantage is the shortage of petrol. In previous rat-weeks we have suffered greatly from pipes being attached to the exhaust pipes of cars and put down our holes. And as the gas they use for heating us has mostly come from Germany this war has given us another advantage."

"We must, however, be very careful about poisons."

"Although we have an instinctive sense for poisons, especially when they have not been put down carefully, we are often deceived by poisoned food."

"Be warned! The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, 10, Whitehall-Place, London, S.W.1, send a small pamphlet, called 'How to Kill Rats,' post free to any one writing in for one. And a booklet called 'Rats and How to Exterminate Them' can be got for 6d. (or 7d. post free) from His Majesty's Stationery Office, which has branches in the main towns."

"Finally, I beg you all to redouble your efforts to multiply and replenish the earth with our race. We are a fruitful people. Our span of life is but three years, yet at that time it is possible for a single pair of us to have 500,000,000 descendants!"

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I'm sending you the Siegfried Line to hang your washing on.  
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The man with the mandoline.

9644—That all started it.  
We must all stick together.

9650—F.D.R. Jones.  
I must have one more kiss, kiss, kiss.

HEAR

PRIMO SCALAS ACCORDEON BAND

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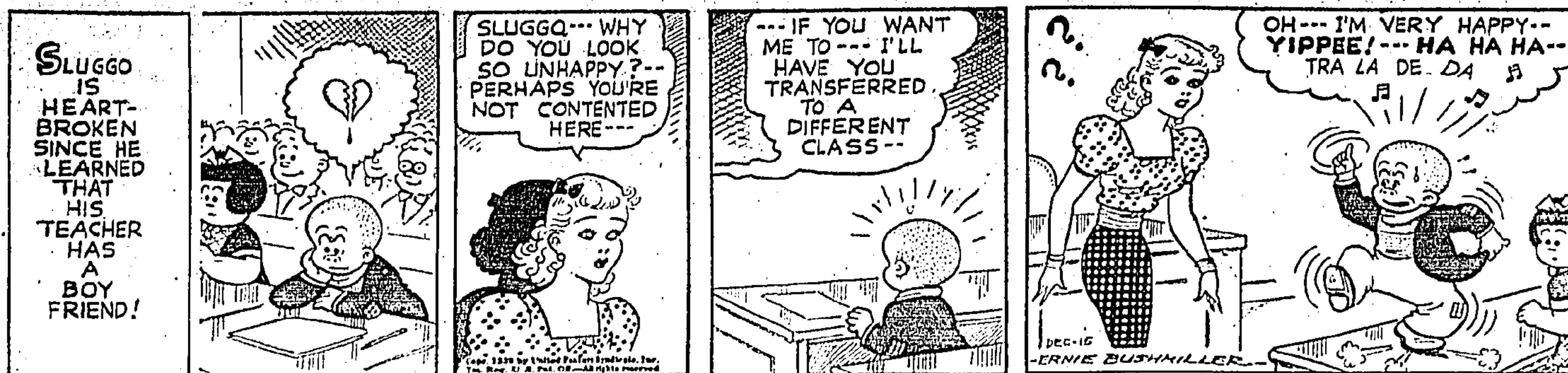
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## Hitler's Crash Coach

AMSTERDAM. HITLER, alarmed by the number of war-time railway crashes in Germany, has ordered a new crash-proof railway coach for himself.

He has little confidence in the present condition of Germany's rolling stock. He also fears sabotage.

The new Hitler coach has been put through a series of strenuous tests. Storm troopers were ordered to sit in it while it was run into a goods train at 50 m.p.h. The coach was derailed, the buffers bent, and one end dented in. But the men thankfully escaped with a shaking.

Later the coach was dumped over a 120ft. embankment in the Black Forest. This time no one could be found to sit in it, but Hitler will see a film of the crash, and will then decide whether he approves of the design.

## R.A.F. SEASIDE TRAINING CENTRE IS SPORTSMAN'S DELIGHT

## Short War Say Churchmen

OPTIMISTIC forecasts about the duration of war were made at a meeting of the Church Assembly at Central Hall, Westminster.

Lord Hugh Cecil thought it would last not more than a year. The Rev. C. E. Douglas (Southwark) considered that "the German rebellion against the law of nations is not likely to last long."

The meeting was the shortest in the 20 years' history of the Assembly. It lasted less than 90 minutes. Usually it goes on for five days.

## NAVY SAY THEY WANT SMALLER SHIPS

The old spirit still splendidly dominates the Royal Navy. So, alas, do some of the ideas. We are fighting this war with the battleships of the last war.

We have eleven 30,000-ton battleships, and three even heavier battle-cruisers. All but two of the battleships (Nelson and Rodney, 1927) were completed in 1916-17. The latest battle-cruiser (Hood) was completed in 1920.

Five more battleships of the King George V. class will be completed next year. They are 35,000 tons and carry ten 15in. guns.

The keels are laid for four battleships of the Lion class. They will be 10,000 tons and mount 16in. guns, the heaviest afloat anywhere.

In the world. These craft will not be completed until 1943. This war will be over long before then.

I see no use for such great battleships. Against what possible enemy are we building them? About as well construct a Maginot Line along the Canada-United States frontier.

Not a bad place to put these 27,000,000 menster would be the Great Lakes of Canada. No independent U-boat commander could penetrate these Lakes to sink them with a 23,000 torpedo.

The craft the Navy need primarily are destroyers. After that, fast cruisers. This type of building must have priority.

## Golf, Boxing, Cricket Stars Are There

EVENING STANDARD REPORTER

I HAVE been spending a day at a South Coast resort, which the censorship requires shall be nameless, that is enjoying the most prosperous winter season in its history.

The name of the resort must not be mentioned because it is here that the Royal Air Force have established one of the large Initial Training Schools for war pilots and airmen that are under the command of Air Commodore A. C. Critchley, the Greyhound Racing chief.

It is the presence of the training establishment that has brought winter prosperity to this summer resort. One way and another the R.A.F. are responsible for an extra £50,000 a month being spent in the town.

Business is booming. Cafes that ordinarily close down for the winter are doing a roaring trade. The shops are crowded.

## Embarrassed

The appearance of the reporter has begun to cause embarrassment at the Service headquarters here.

The R.A.F. disapproves of too much publicity, even for the fighting squadrons in France.

Hundreds of eager young men who have volunteered as war pilots are being given a strenuous course of preliminary training before they are sent to advanced schools where they will be taught to fly. To put them through their paces, Air Commodore Critchley has gathered around him a galaxy of famous sporting personalities such as no other air force command can boast.

Professional boxers have been given the rank of sergeant-instructor, and Britain's three leading heavy-weights—Tommy Farr, Len Harvey and Eddie Phillips—are N.C.O.s at the school.

In the commissioned ranks are a number of well-known amateur golfers, including John Beck, the British Walker Cup team captain, and L. G. Crawley. Altogether there are eight golfers among the officers who are rated at scratch or better.

Walter Hammond, England's cricket captain, is a pilot officer of the school, and among the other cricketers on the instructional staff are Harold Gilligan, Barnett, of Gloucestershire, and Mitchell, of Middlesex.

In the summer the county ground is to be taken over for cricket. Walter Hammond is already preparing a fixture list, and has so many first-class players on which he can call that it has already been decided to challenge the county eleven.

other forms of preliminary attack. Recent operations showed how competently the mortar can do the work for which it is designed.

Before leaving the school I saw the system of instruction which is given in the lecture rooms as a preliminary to field practice. This system is a very ingenious one, in which, by means of cinema film targets and models of country landscapes, the pupil is given so sound a knowledge of the theory of his job that he is able quickly to acquire the practical side of it.

## New Trench Mortar Is Deadly

By A Special Correspondent

ALTHOUGH in essential principle the same weapon that was used so effectively by our troops in the last war, the mortar has been greatly improved by fitting it with sighting and ranging equipment. Generally known between 1913-18 as the trench mortar, this weapon is now officially termed "a mortar." There are two types, a 3in. mortar, which can throw a 3lb. bomb a distance of 1,500 yards, and a 2in. one using a 2lb. bomb, which has a range of 800 yards.

Loaded with high explosive, the bombs are very destructive. The mortar is a variety of light artillery for our infantry, each battalion of which has its mortar detachment. There is one 3lb. mortar detachment for the headquarters company and a 2lb. mortar platoon for each of the other companies.

At an Army training school in the West to-day I saw infantry being instructed in the use of mortars in attack. A tactical operation was carried out in a stretch of country not unlike that to be found in some sectors of the Western Front. The idea of the exercise was that advancing infantry had been held up, approaching a ridge, by an enemy some 1,200 yards ahead, and the mortar detachment had been called on to neutralise the enemy; in other words, to wipe out his positions by bombing them. A rapid and heavy bombardment was directed upon the enemy by the mortars, which also laid a smoke screen.

## Clearing Away Obstacles

The projectile thrown from a mortar rises to a height of about 2,000 yards, and then plunges down directly upon its objective. This high-angle fire enables an explosive bomb, accurately ranged, to be dropped into trenches or upon the heads of troops sheltering in folds of the ground. When it explodes on impact the bomb has a radius of destruction of about 100 yards, and is thus a formidable weapon against troops massed in cover. It is intended for clearing away machine-gun nests or other enemy obstacles to an infantry advance that may have escaped an artillery barrage or

## HIS 121st NOVEL AT 84

SIX typewriters have been worn out in 50 years of authorship by Mr. G. B. Burgin, the novelist.

This month this uncle of Mr. Leslie Burgin, the Minister of Supply, will be 84. He has just returned to his Highgate home from hospital, where, after two years of illness, he underwent a major operation.

"I am glad to be back at work," he said, "though I cannot work nowadays with my usual speed."

"I had half-written my 121st novel when they sent me to hospital. I don't know what its title will be. I am still struggling with it."

His present typewriter is a very old one. It has been described as "looking like an adding machine and sounding like a pom-pom."

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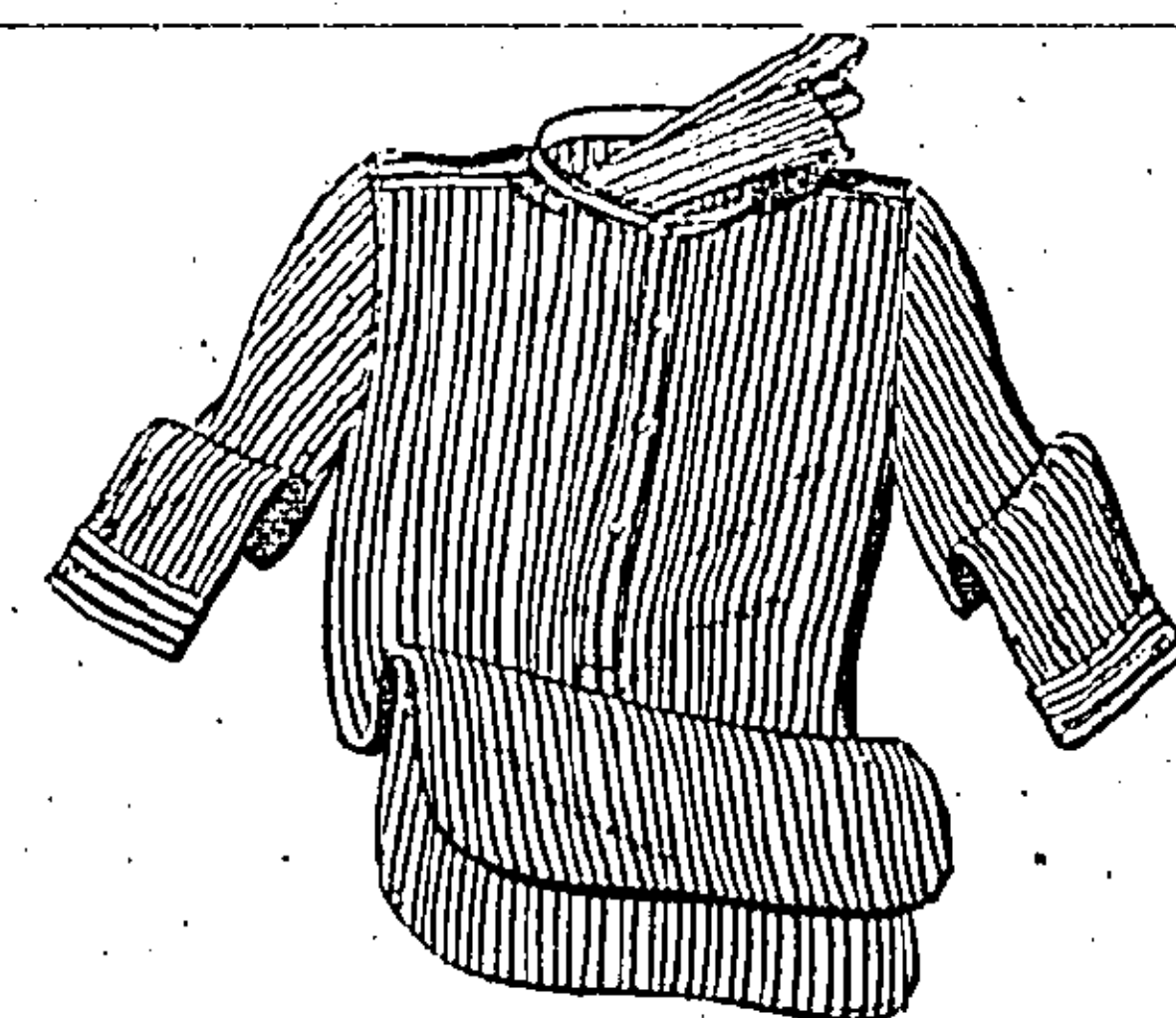
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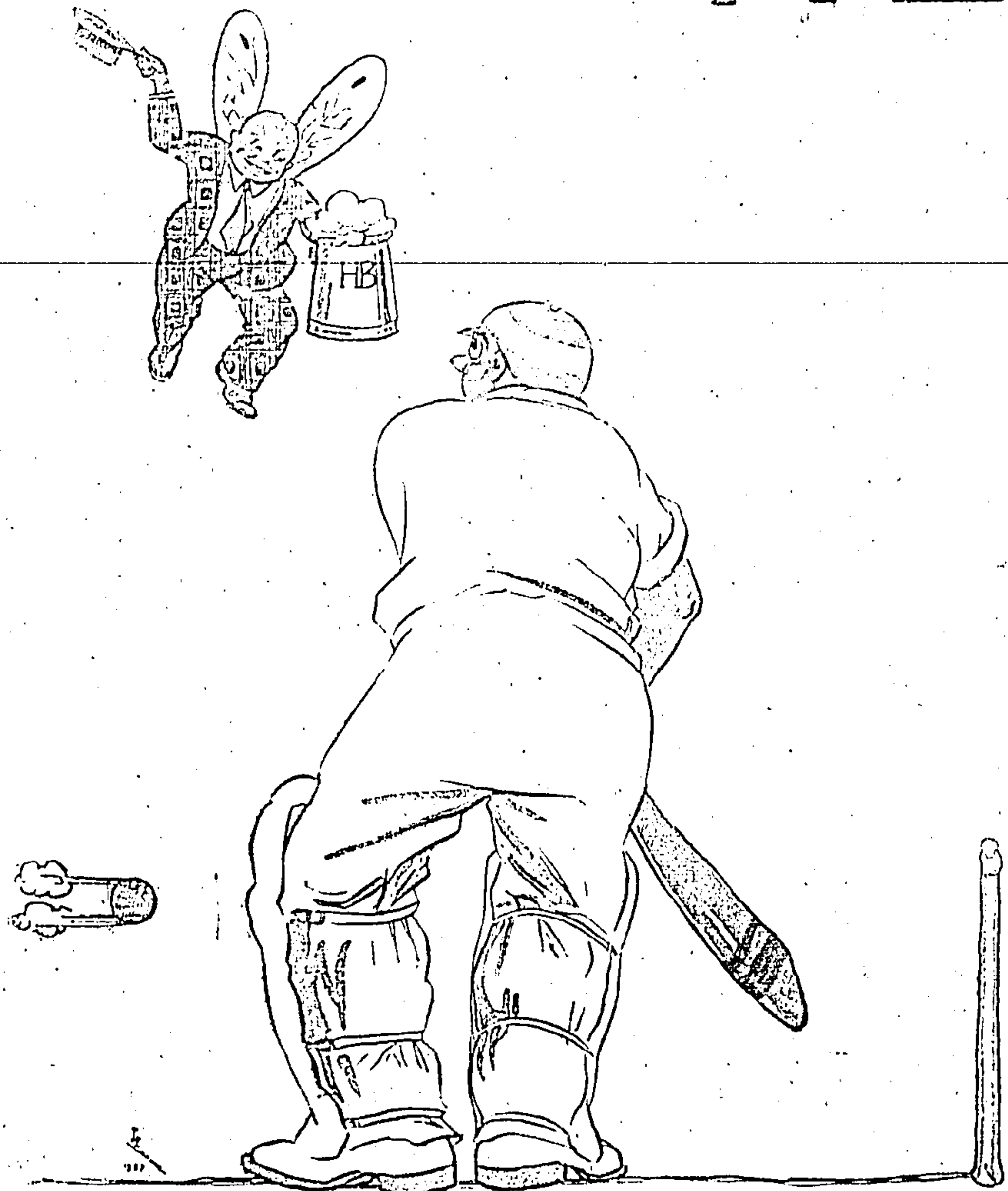
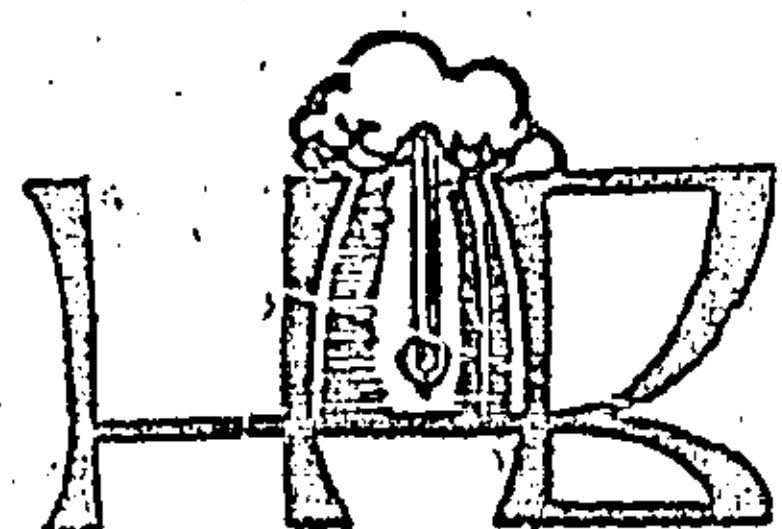


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## NO END YET TO SHANSI WAR

PEIPING, Jan. 20 (Reuter).—A party of British missionaries visited Shansi recently and found the Mission property untouched.

They were told by the Japanese military authorities that there was no likelihood that they would be able to return, as military operations are still progressing in Shansi.

No mention was made by the Japanese of an anti-British movement.

Mr. E. H. Williams resumed duty as Crown Counsel on January 10, says an official notification.

## MORE U.S. WHEAT AND FLOUR FOR HONGKONG

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—The Agriculture Department has reinstated the wheat export subsidy on shipments from the Pacific Coast to China and Hongkong.

The Department has also extended the flour subsidy programme to include exports to these places.

The action is taken primarily to assist in meeting the special wheat surplus problem in the north-west.

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## Interference Resented

British Authorities And U.S. Mails

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (UP).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, today said that the American air service to Bermuda may be discontinued if the British authorities there persist in interfering with United States mails aboard the planes.

He carefully stated that he would not undertake nor care to predict such a step, but added that there was so much of this going on that the United States may act if the practice continues.

State Department officials indicated that the British authorities may have a legal right to examine the mails in transit through Bermuda since it is a British port and Pan-American Airways call there voluntarily.

## Assassin Strikes In Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—The condition of Rustum Haidar, the Iraqi Minister of Finance, is very grave.

He was shot by a former Police Inspector, who had asked to speak to him.

The Iraqi Ambassador called on the Iraqi Foreign Minister to express his sympathy and that of the British Government.

## BRIDGE & BELOW

### Results Of Merchant Marine Exams.

The following Masters, Mates and Engineers passed and obtained Certificates of Competency issued under the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Colonial Act 1894 states the "Government Gazette" issued today.

Master S.S.: C. H. Hooper, W. H. Malley, R. L. Groundwater, J. W. Miller, A. E. Jones, A. G. Robb, G. O. Gatehouse, J. L. Baines, E. K. Anderson, L. D. Quick, L. J. Money, A. M. Robinson, S. W. Hall, D. Hammond, Van R. Wolfe.

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Second Class Motor Endorsement: E. A. Dubois.

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### "Puppets" To Support Wang

Co-operation Part Of The Scheme

PEIPING, Jan. 20 (Reuter).—Apparently with the aim of clearing rumours of disunion between the Peking Provincial Government and Wang Ching-wei and his followers, Lieut. General Seidich Kita, Director of the North China Liaison Office of the China Force Board, told foreign correspondents in an interview today that provincial government would extend full co-operation to the proposed new central regime.

Might Lose Their Titles

He declared that provincial governments might lose their title, but there would be a concentration of administrative effects between Peking and Nanking and "no separate government."

The central government is closely connected with the idea of peace.

A conference between Nanking and Wang Ching-wei will be held shortly and a committee will be formed to settle the question of a central government.

A change would occur in the status of the North China regime to bring it in line with the central government, but this would be slow and gradual.

## Logical And Reasonable

British Reply To The Safety Zone Plan

MONTEVIDEO, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—The Uruguayan Press takes much the same view of the British Government's reply to the Pan-American Conference for the 300-mile Safety Zone around the Americas as the press of other American republics, namely, that the British reply is logical and reasonable.

The influential Montevideo paper, "El Diario," for instance, says that the measures proposed by the Pan-American Conference are without doubt excessive. It supports the view that it would give carte blanche to pirates and limit the actions of those countries whose rule it is to respect strictly international law and the rights of other nations.

## Browder Will Testify

Prosecution Rests Case Against Communist

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (UP).—The prosecution today rested its case against Mr. Earl Browder, Secretary of the American Communist Party, after presentation of evidence including the testimony of a Communist colleague to show that Browder obtained three passports under other names, and had made false statements repeatedly in the applications.

The prosecution required less than two days to present its evidence. After the Government had rested, Judge Cox adjourned the case until next Monday when Browder is expected to testify in his own defence.

## CONSCRIPTING THE POLES

Nazis Force Captives To Go To Work

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—A total of 310,000 Polish prisoners of war are employed in labour in Germany, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Das Reich". The remaining 400,000 are still in Poland. One hundred thousand Poles, not prisoners of war, shortly will be drafted to Germany to relieve the labour shortage.

## VANDALS IN OUR MIDST

### FROM PAGE ONE

Forestry Department came into being, and, in course of time, the hill-sides were clothed with nature's own covering—trees, shrubs, flowers, to the joy of the succeeding generations who dwell in this outpost of the Empire.

Hitherto, it has been forbidden to interfere with the glorious result of those farseeing planters, and those who were tempted to disobey the accepted requirements of the law, were dealt with in a proper manner. To realise the serious nature of the offence, and to grow more serious and cultivated in the past, is threatened with extinction.

Our hill-sides are being denuded of their verdure. Trees and shrubs are being ruthlessly cut down, and sold in the Colony's firewood stalls, with a deplorable acquiescence by the powers that be. So pronounced is this vandalism, that it has assumed the notoriety of a scandal of the first order.

Practically nothing has been done to stop it. Magistrates have failed to realise the seriousness of the offence, and it grows more serious almost daily because of the official indifference.

FORESTRY paths, which have been a delight to many, are now shunned because of the foulness encountered.

Catchment areas have become the al fresco latrines of many thousands of poverty-stricken folk who find it a lucrative business to despoil our wooded slopes and valleys.

I feel sure that there is no Colony in the Empire—or in any other Empire—for that matter, that would permit such destruction of its flora.

I HAVE been told that there are so many poor people in Hongkong, that it is inhuman and unkind to interfere with their means of making a livelihood. That is about the cruelest plea I have ever encountered. If our peculiar position and policy permits every beggar in China to enter, we can at least demand that he does not offend our ideas of what is right and proper.

From every corner of the Colony, these people make their daily pilgrimages to the wooded districts where they are seemingly free to ply their illegal trade, to the present and future detriment of the Colony.

Stealing, in the generally accepted sense, is against the law. The whole sole stealing of timber from the hill-sides is apparently quite permissible, although the majority of residents wonder why the authorities fail to appreciate their responsibility to the present and future generations.

It is surely worth remembering that many thousands of dollars of public money have been spent in afforestation, and the Colony has become a more beautiful and healthier place in consequence. All the good achieved is now being wantonly sacrificed because of official ineptitude.

The present wave of vandalism is a disgrace to the Colony, and the sooner official action is taken in no unmistakable manner, the better for the peace of mind and health of those of us who are horrified at the destruction now being permitted.

## New Term For Sir Henry Pollock

The King's approval of the appointment of the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., as an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council for a further period of four years, is announced in today's "Gazette."

ANKARA, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister, in the closing session of the Assembly, declared that in order that security may reign throughout the country "our aim is to lead the country on a path of prosperity. We are following the best course, namely, democracy."

## U.S. LOAN TO FINNS

### Alternative Schemes To Be Considered

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—The United States' Administration is understood to be seeking a compromise in the dispute over the question of a United States loan to Finland which will enable America to aid the Finns without the risk of violating her neutrality.

Well-informed circles predict a busy week-end of conferences between officials such as Mr. Jesse Jones, the Federal Loan Administrator and members of Congress. Senator Brown, of Michigan, author of the \$50,000,000 Finnish Loan Bill insists that Finland needs an unrestricted governmental loan which, he asserts, cannot conflict with neutrality as that instrument has not been involved in the Finnish-Russian war. But he is reported to be willing to make substantial concessions in his Bill if swift aid can thereby be sent to Finland.

Senate Leaders Cool. The "Washington Post" reports that Senate leaders are non-committal or cool both to Senator Brown's Bill and the President's last approach through the non-military Export and Import Bank credit.

Senate circles, it is believed, are discussing a plan to foster another private Finnish relief drive similar to those by Norway and Sweden, whereby funds could be raised for private purchases of arms to Finland, but Senator Brown feels that this would not yield sufficient funds.

Senator Brown disclosed that the Reconstruction and Finance Corporation is working out a modified plan for a loan to Finland and the draft bill will be completed on Monday.

He said, "I think we will work out something satisfactory."

Increased Credits. Indications are that the modified bill will largely follow the course outlined in President Roosevelt's letter to Congress last Tuesday.

In this letter the President said that he thought the most reasonable approach to the problem of credits for the increase of the revolving credit fund of the Export and Import Bank, and to authorise the Reconstruction and Finance Corporation to buy loans and securities from the Bank "to enable it to finance the exportation of agricultural surpluses and manufactured products, not including implements of war."

Some Senators to-day predicted that a loan not exceeding \$30,000,000 will be requested.

## R.A.F. DRIVE OFF NAZI PLANE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Jan. 19 (UP).—It is officially announced that R.A.F. fighting planes drove off enemy aircraft over the sea east of Aberdeen this afternoon.

Only one German plane was involved.

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## RED RETREAT IN SALLA AREA STILL CONTINUES

### FROM PAGE ONE

tanks, 1,000 machine guns and 522 cars of various types.

The Finns captured 1,500 horses alive and destroyed 93 field kitchens.

### U.S. Loan To Finland

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Discussing the proposed American loan to Finland, the "New York Herald Tribune" says that Finland's fate is important enough to the United States to warrant the latter taking some risks on her behalf.

Successful Finnish resistance, says the paper, is militating against a Soviet-Japanese combination because of the loss to Russian prestige.

The noted commentator, Mr. Raymond Gram Swing, says that refusal to help Finland would send down the confidence and spirit of the other Scandinavian countries. It would also weaken the belief of many Germans in world freedom, for many of them, he says, are still confident that the excesses of the Nazi regime will pass.

### Russians Isolated

PARIS, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—A big Russian force is cut off from all supplies near Piterkan on the northern shores of Lake Ladoga, according to reliable information reaching Paris.

It is stated that the Finns are not warring; lives in attacking the Russians, but are waiting a day or two until cold and hunger forces them to surrender.

## POLICE MEDALS AWARDED

H.E. the Governor has authorised that the Colonial Police Long Service Medals be awarded to Inspectors L. R. Whelan and F. D. B. Tuckett; Sub-Inspectors B. Thorpe, W. H. Nollth and G. W. Moreton; Sergeant Major H. Khan; Police Sergeants 149 Tajo Khan, 14 Chanchal Singh; Lance Sergeant 207 Fattah Khan; Police Sergeants 190 Loo Joo, 402 Wong Yank Ming, 400 Yim Kai; Lance Sergeant 51 Malt, Su-poi; Police Constables 263 Lam Man, 599 Lam Yee, 423 Lin Fuk.

The first bar to the Colonial Police Long Service Medal has been awarded to Acting Sub-Inspector Arjan Singh; Police Sergeant 318 Hazam Singh, 150 Ho Piu, 540 Ip Chak, 123 Li Sung.

The second bar to the Colonial Police Long Service Medal has been awarded to Sergeant Major Kwan Hing-nam of the Cantonese Contingent.

## REOPENING OF PEARL RIVER

SHANGHAI, Jan. 19 (Reuter).—Mr. Sotomatsu Kato, the Japanese Minister-at-Large in China, is reported to have returned to Tokyo by air after seeing the American Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, and exchanging opinions relative to the re-opening of the lower Yangtze and the rivers.

It is stated that Mr. Kato is reporting to his Government regarding the establishment of a new central Chinese government and also the talks he had had in China for the readjustment of Japan's relations with Britain and the United States.

Mr. H. J. Crutwell has resumed duty as District Officer in the southern district of the New Territories as from January 19.

## POST OFFICE

Restricted Parcel Post Service to Yunnan and Yunnan Province has been resumed. Individual parcels in small quantities for personal use may be accepted.

A list of prohibited articles may be seen at the General Post Office.

Small Parcel Post to all countries is suspended.

### OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are posted 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 1 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

### INWARD MAILS

Calcutta and Straits ..... Jan. 20.  
Europe via Suez ..... Jan. 20.  
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Formosa and Swatow ..... Jan. 20.  
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Shanghai ..... Jan. 20.  
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 13th Jan. Jan. 21.

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Haiphong and Hoihow ..... Jan. 22.  
Java and Manila ..... Jan. 23.  
Shanghai ..... Jan. 23.  
Straits ..... Jan. 23.  
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 17th January. Jan. 24.

Calcutta, Straits and Saigon ..... Jan. 24.  
Canton ..... Jan. 24.  
Shanghai ..... Jan. 24.  
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 23rd. December 1939) Jan. 24.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th January. Jan. 25.

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 13th January. Jan. 25.  
Straits ..... Jan. 25.  
Manila ..... Jan. 25.  
Japan ..... Jan. 25.  
Shanghai ..... Jan. 25.  
Shanghai and Amoy ..... Jan. 25.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Jan. 27.  
Shanghai and Shanghai ..... Jan. 27.  
Manila ..... Jan. 27.  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 4th January). Jan. 29.

Japan and Shanghai ..... Jan. 30.  
Shanghai ..... Jan. 30.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Jan. 31.  
Java and Manila ..... Jan. 31.

### OUTWARD MAILS

Saturday, Jan. 20, 10.30 a.m.  
Fort Bayard ..... 11.30 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 2 p.m.  
Shanghai and Japan ..... 3.30 p.m.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 28th January. G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Reg. .... Jan. 20, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 20, 5.30 p.m.  
Amoy ..... 5.30 p.m.  
Saigon ..... 5.30 p.m.  
Calcutta. .... Jan. 20, 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 21, 9.00 a.m.  
Straits, Ceylon, India, East Africa, and Europe via Suez and London. 10th February. G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Parcels ..... Jan. 20, 5 p.m.  
Reg. .... Jan. 20, 5.30 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 22, 8.30 a.m.  
Sunday, Jan. 21

Shanghai ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Fort Bayard and Hoihow ..... 9 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 9 a.m.  
South Africa via Durban. .... 9 a.m.  
Swatow and Parcels only for Tientsin ..... 9 a.m.  
Touane ..... 9 a.m.

Monday, Jan. 22  
Canton ..... 7.15 a.m.  
Saigon ..... 9.30 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 1 p.m.  
Canton ..... 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 23  
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya ..... 9.30 a.m.  
Amoy and Shanghai ..... 9.30 a.m.  
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Naples—due Naples, 10th February. G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Reg. .... Jan. 23, 2.45 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 23, 3.30 p.m.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 31st January. K.P.O.

Reg. .... Jan. 23, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 23, 5.30 p.m.  
G.P.O.

Reg. .... Jan. 23, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 23, 7 p.m.  
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 29th Jan. K.P.O.

Reg. .... 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... 5.30 p.m.  
G.P.O.

Reg. .... 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... 7.00 p.m.  
Wednesday, Jan. 24

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 1st February. K.P.O.

Reg. .... Jan. 24, 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 24, 5.30 p.m.  
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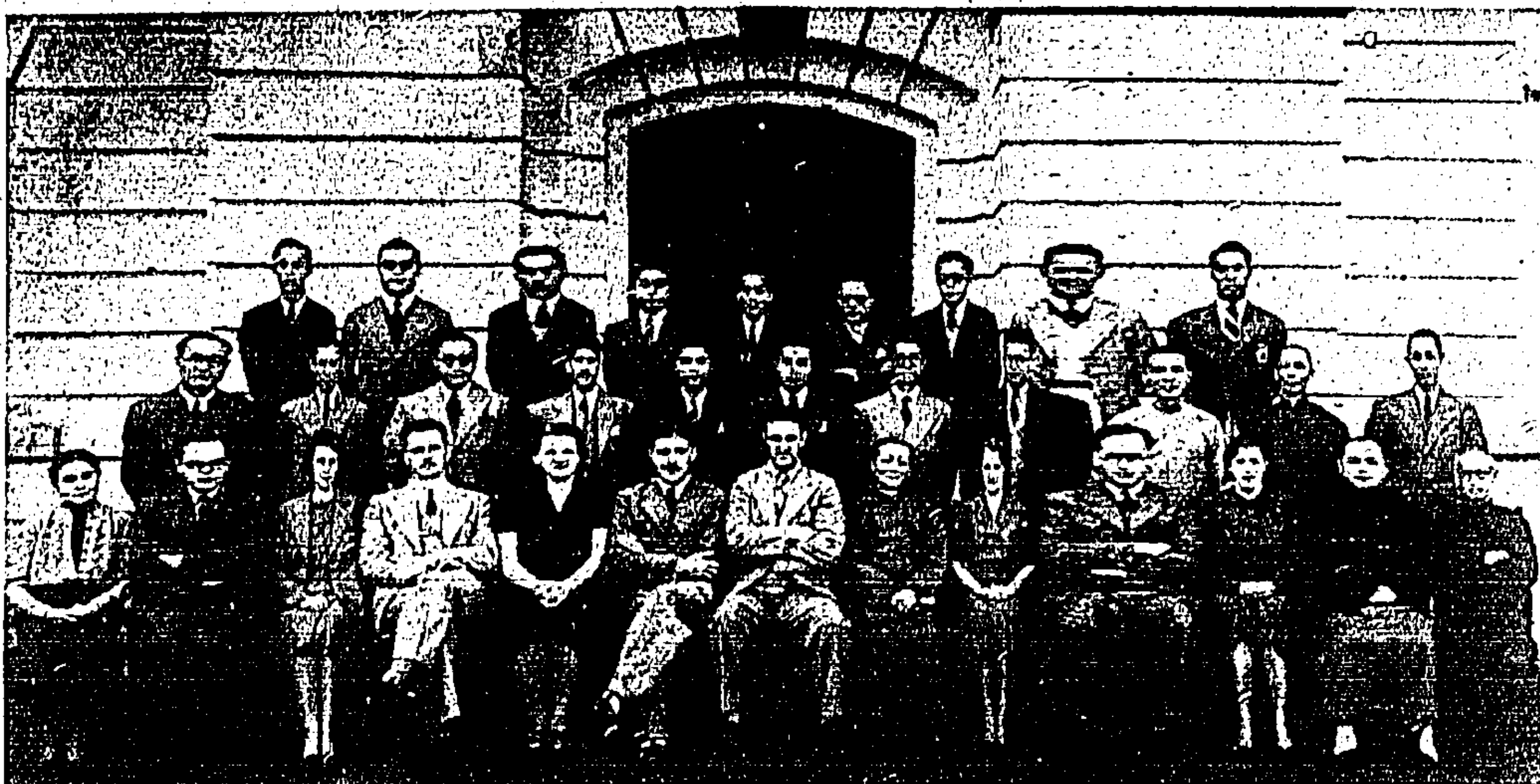
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# PROMINENT CHINESE FILM STARS VISIT HONGKONG



SEVERAL FAMOUS Chinese film stars arrived in Hong-kong during the week, and here we see, reading from left to right, Mr. Chang Shio-wan, manager of a Shanghai film company, Tong Yip-chuen, Yuan Mei-ying (leading film star), Lu Ming, Chui Ching-yong, Mr. Lei Tai-sun and Mr. Chen Kan-yin.—S. P. Ding.



EUROPEAN AND CHINESE members of the staff of Queen's College pose for the camera. In the centre is seated Mr. G. O'Connor, B.A., second master of the school, and at present the acting headmaster.—Yim Fong.



GLAMOROUS MISS YUEN MEI-YUN, celebrated Chinese film star, snapped as she arrived in Hongkong this week with her husband. Miss Yuen is expected to make a film while she is in the Colony.—S. P. Ding.



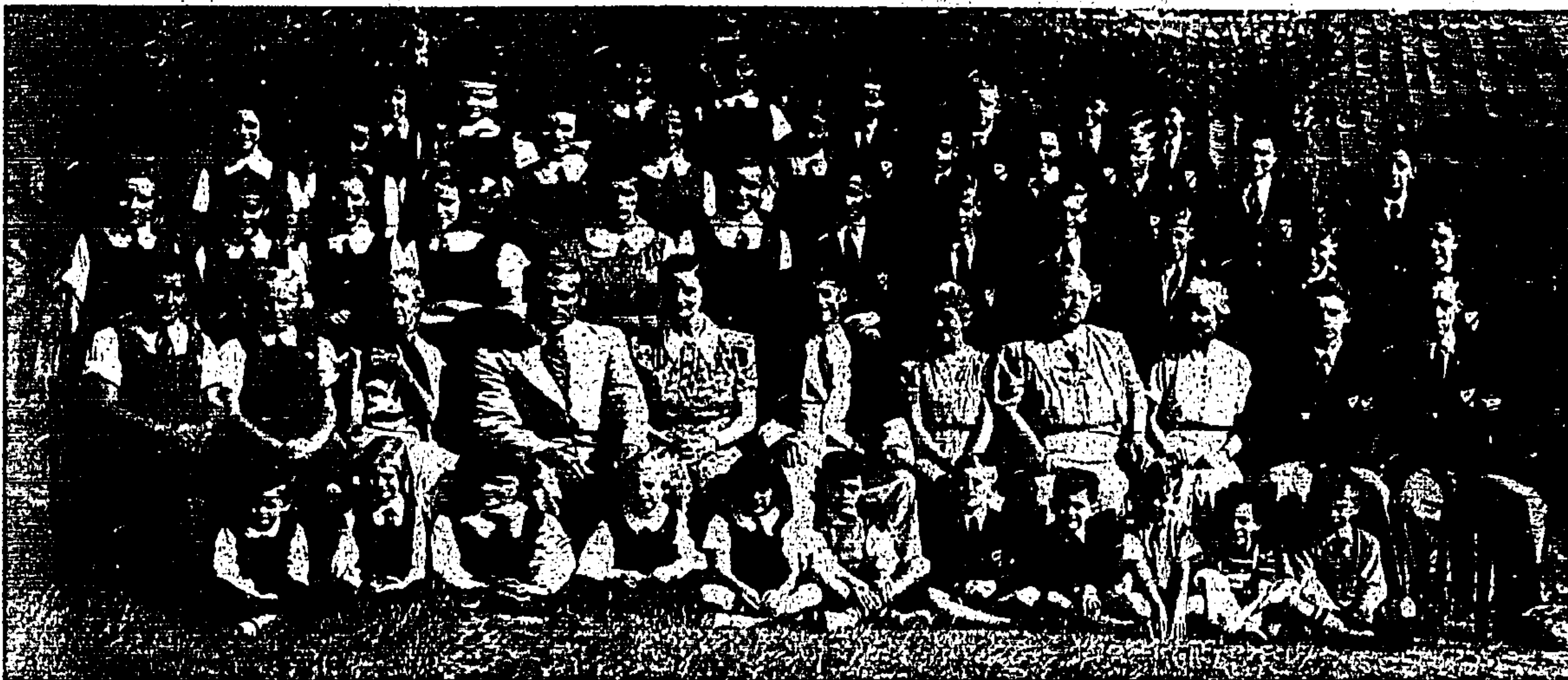
TWO WELL-KNOWN CHINESE families were united last week when the marriage took place between Mr. Tsang Sui-tsu and Miss Laura Tan. Mr. Tsang and his bride are seen here after the wedding.—Ming Yuen.



THIS PICTURE gives some idea of the happy time the pupils of the Loloma Kindergarten and Nursery enjoy. Some of the toddlers were caught by the camera as they frolicked around the St. Andrew's Church grounds playing on the shute and see-saw.—Ming Yuen.



PAST STUDENTS of La Salle College had a happy time when they held their annual dance last week. This picture was taken during the function.—Mao Choung.



INTERESTING TO many Hongkong residents will be this photograph taken recently of the staff and pupils of St. Giles British School, Tsingtao. Several Hongkong children are among the pupils of this well-known school.

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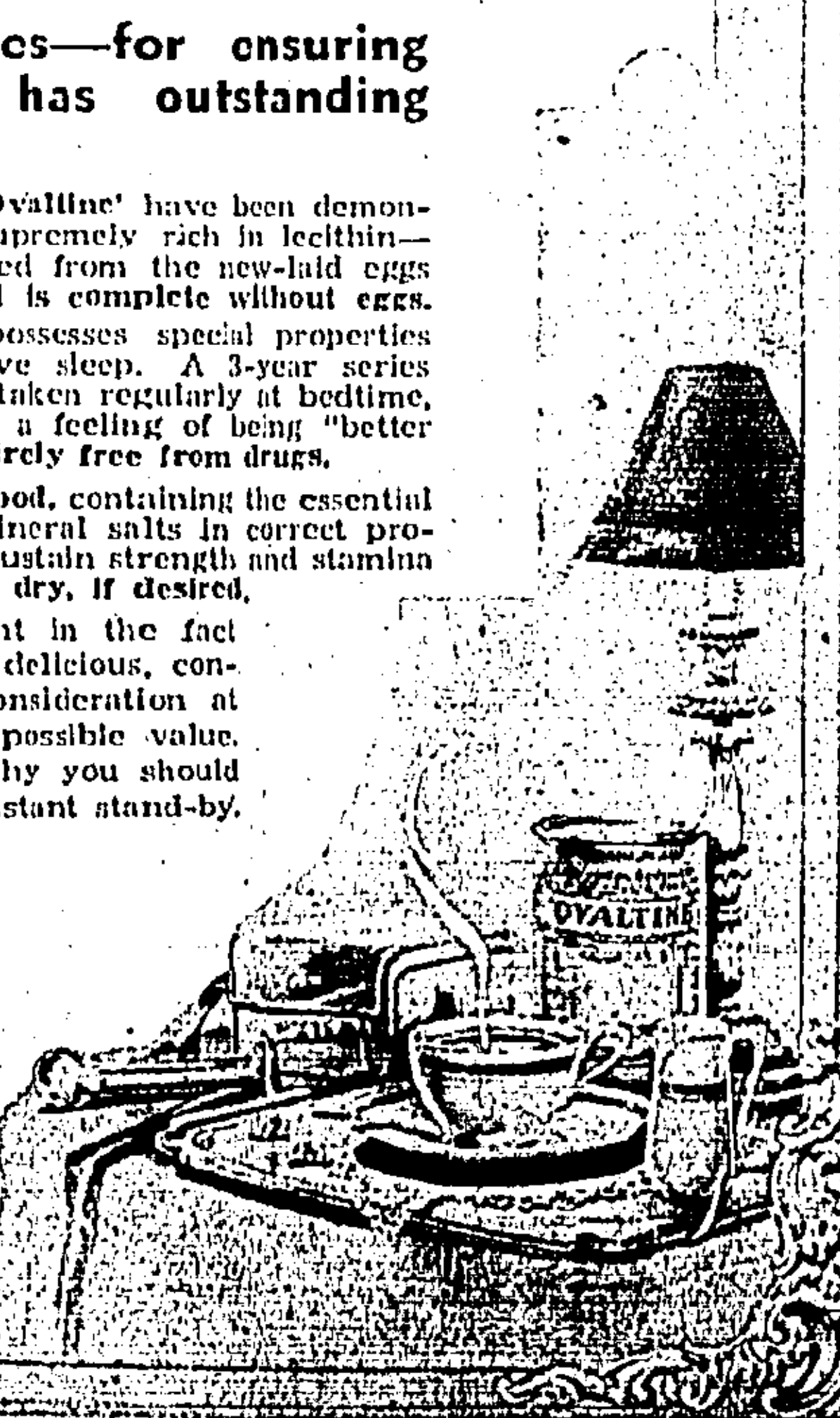
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## SOME OF THE WEEK-END SPORTS IN PICTURES



HERE ARE FOUR of last week's semi-finalists in the Colony women's doubles tennis championship. From left to right they are Miss M. Griffiths, her partner Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, Mrs. Knight and Mrs. Sweeney. Miss Griffiths and Mrs. Chiu won the match.—Moo Cheung.



SPECTACULAR incident in the South China "B" v. Police first division football match at Caroline Hill last Sunday. McHardy the Police goalkeeper is seen vainly trying to stop a Chinese forward from getting in his shot. The ball can be seen rising high just before it entered the net.—Ming Yuen.



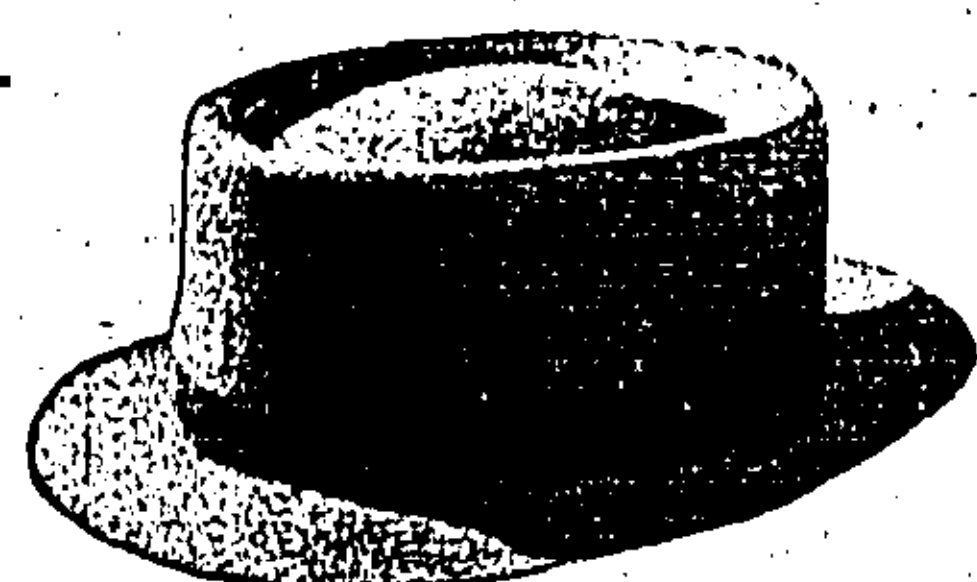
MEMBERS OF THE Y.M.C.A. hockey team snapped before their Caor Clark Cup hockey match against the Hongkong Ladies Hockey Club last Saturday. Though the "Y" were weakened by the absence of some regular players, they managed to win by one-nil, and the team remains firm favourites for the championship.—Ming Yuen.

FINE ACTION STUDY of Mrs. Churchill taken while she was playing in the semi-finals of the Colony women's doubles tennis championship last week. Mrs. Churchill partnered Mrs. Lade, and they lost to Mrs. Hyde and Mrs. Litton in straight sets.—Moo Cheung.

ARMY PLAYER is strenuously tackled during the Army v. Club rugby match on the Club ground last Saturday. He is closely followed by his colleagues and opponents as he tries to elude the tackle which brought him to the ground.—Ming Yuen.



LOOKING CAREFREE AND HAPPY, these kiddies of the Loloma Kindergarten School posed for the camera in the St. Andrew's Church gardens. Another picture will be found on Page Two.—Ming Yuen.



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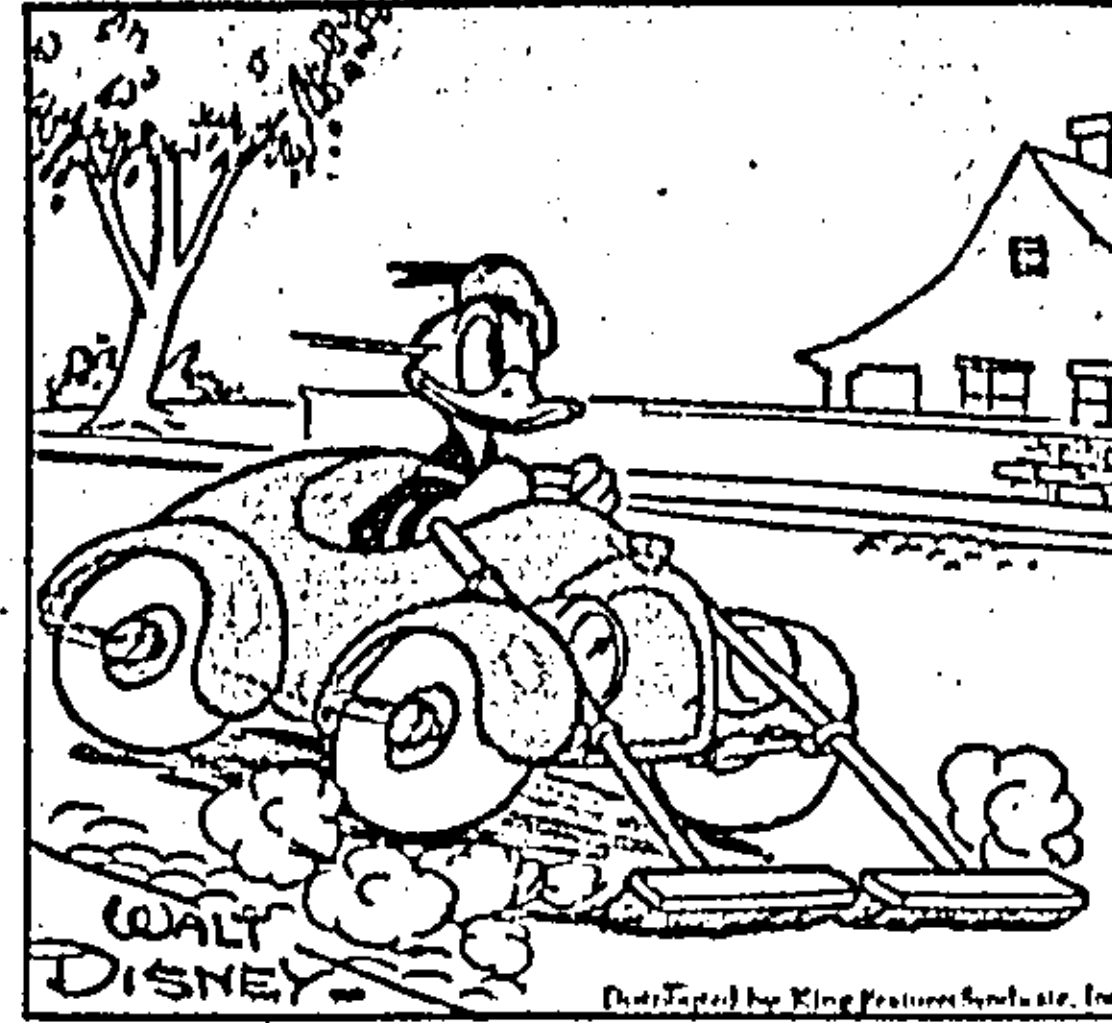
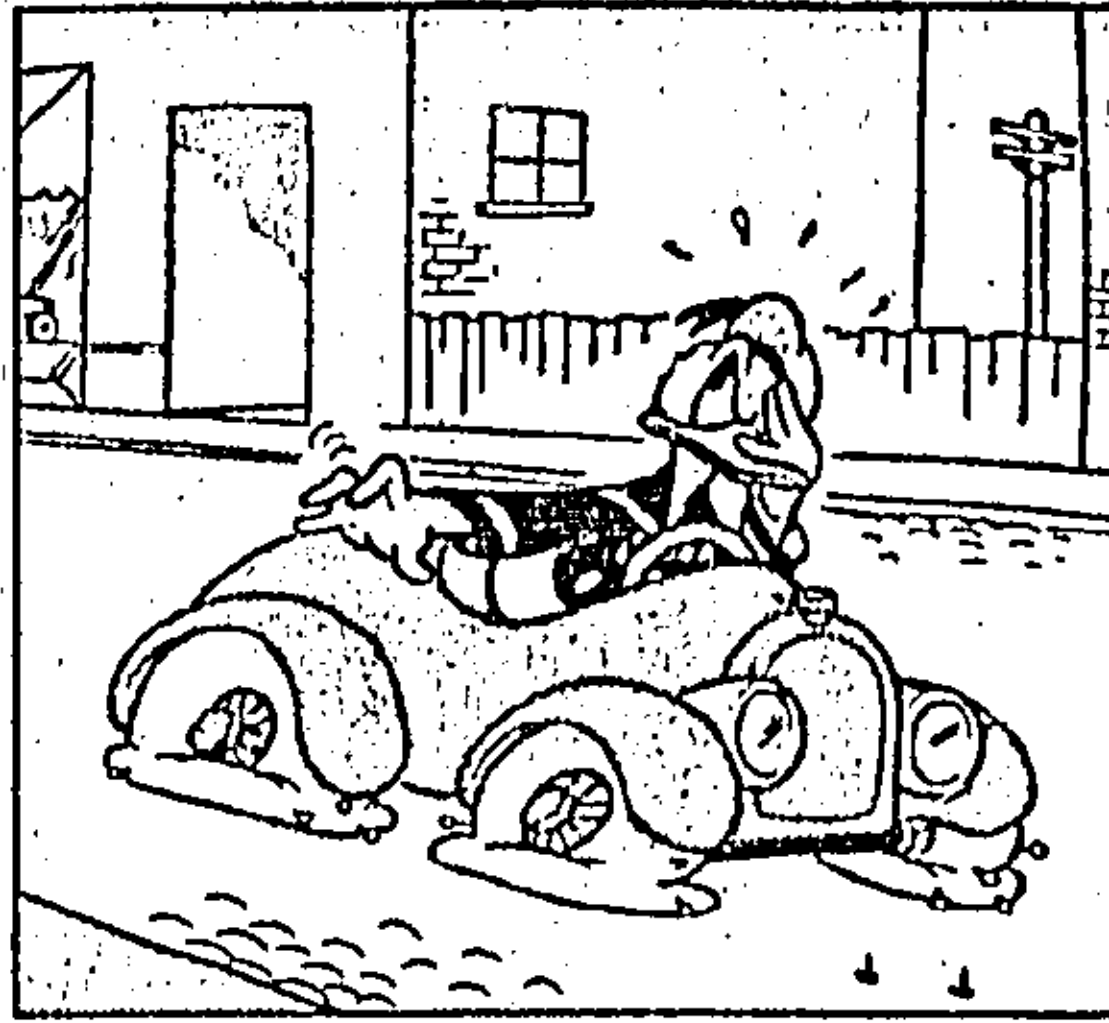
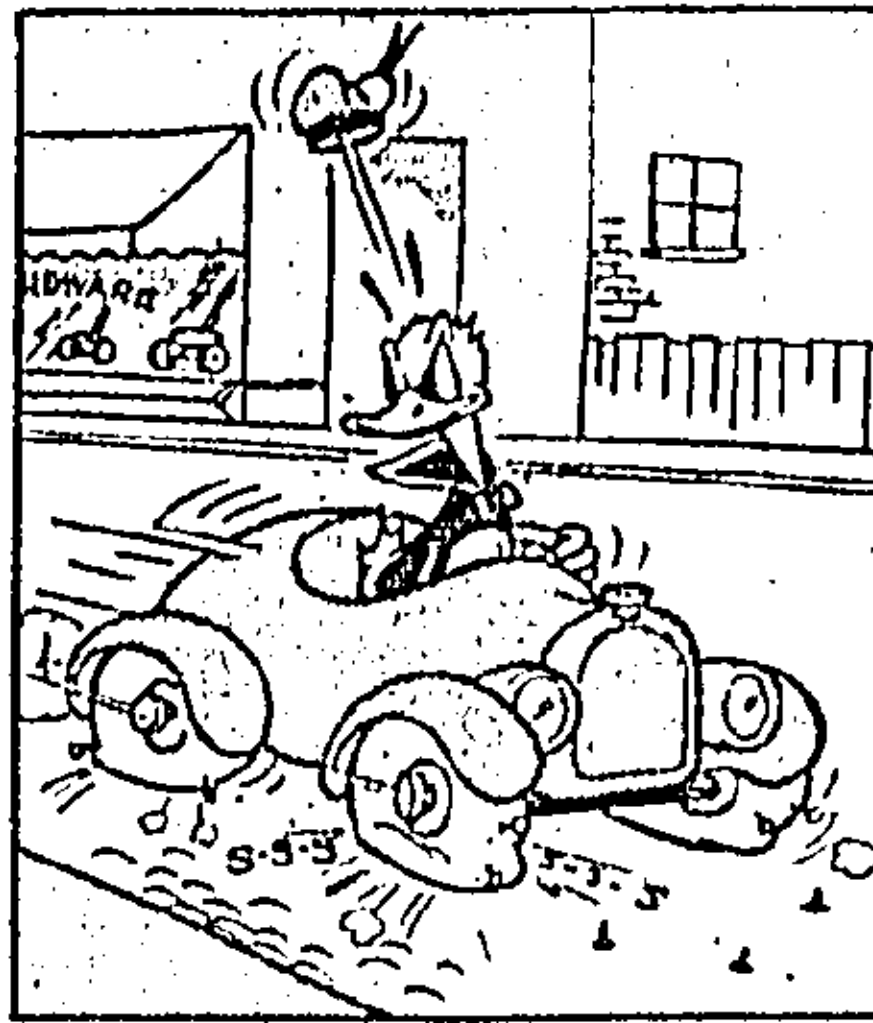
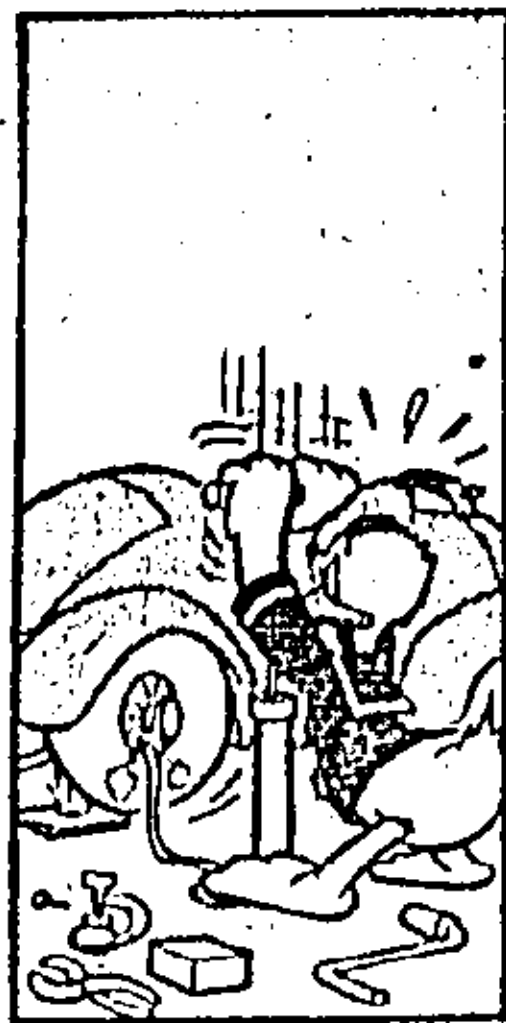
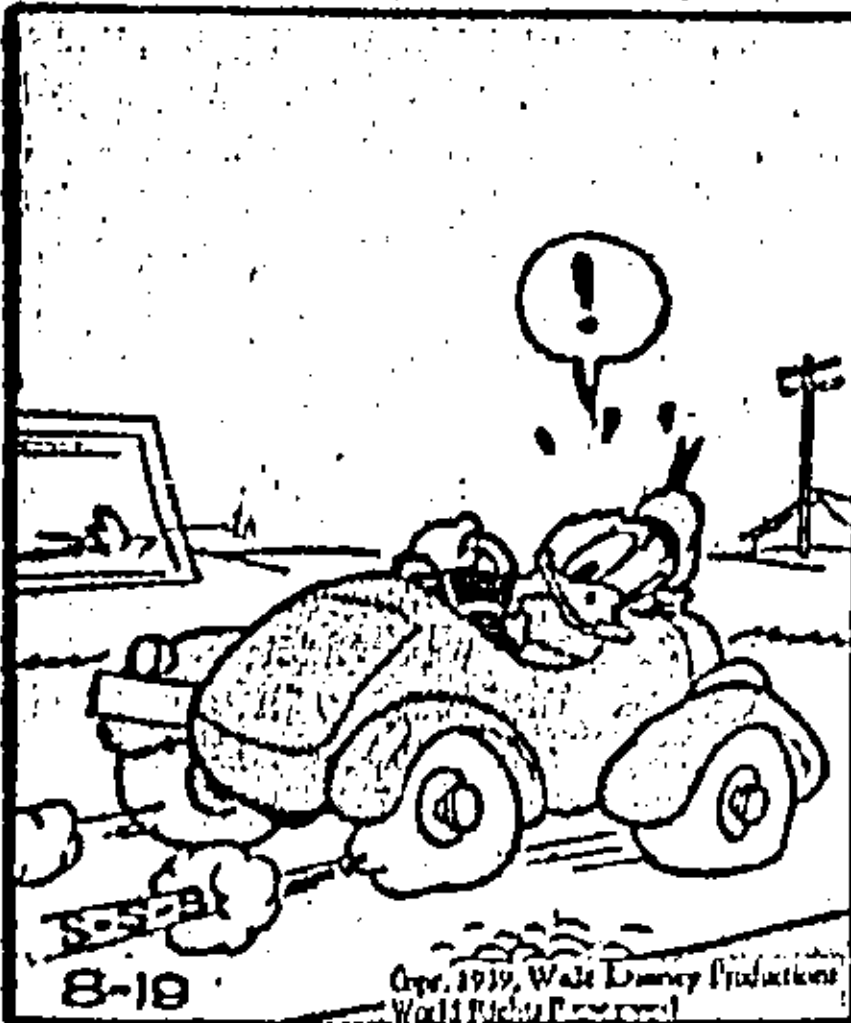


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## Goodbye, Mr Chips

## PEACE

After 20 years of unpopularity among the boys at Brookfield School, Chipping, Latin master, got married after a romantic episode in the Tyrols, and was taught how to get along with the boys by his bride who died a year afterwards in childbirth. But she had taught Chipping to overcome his diffidence, to understand the boys and soon the whole school was using her nickname for him—Chips. After 20 more years he retired, but when the war in France started, the Governors called him to carry on as Headmaster when he was past 80.

THOSE four years were difficult years at Brookfield, what with the scarcity of masters, the military activities of the school—for it was training the older boys to be officers with the army in France—and an occasional air raid.

But Chips was happy; he, too, was serving his country in a way, despite his more than foreshore years.

He found time to keep his promise to young Peter Colley; every few weeks he ran over to Charing-borough to see Helen and her baby son who had the blond hair of Peter and a head that promised to develop into one just like his father's.

Chips refused Helen's urging to have another piece of cake.

"No, thank you. I always eat too much when I come here. Well, young Colley," he said to the baby in his high-chair, "that's a fine mess you are making! This young fellow must come to Brookfield, Helen."

"Of course. The Colleys have gone to Brookfield since Queen Anne died. Peter counts on that for his son. Peter always asks after you in his letters."

"We're even then. His letters to me are full of you."

"I like to think . . . to hope . . . that he'll be back before the leaves fall."

"There's every hope, Helen—hope of peace. Beats me," he added, smiling, "how any war could last so long with a Colley in it."

"Oh, to think of living without fear again—without trembling at the sight of a letter or telegram. . . . Surely, we shall never again take our happiness for granted."

IT was but a few weeks after that Chips stood at the lectern in the school chapel. In his hand was the latest casualty list.

Trying to master a great emotion, he spoke:

"From every point comes news of hope—we can say at last without fear that the end is in sight. . . . But even in victory we have cruel news to bear—losses that are the more tragic because peace is so close at hand." He looked at the casualty list, braced himself as though against a sudden shock, and continued:

"Peter Colley, Lieutenant in the Coldstream Guards, was killed in action during a trench raid on the night of November 8th. He remained in full view of the enemy in order to rescue his batman, Perkins, who had fallen fatally wounded. . . . Both men died before they could be brought in."

His voice quivered and tears stood in his eyes. "It is a great honour to Brookfield that his Majesty the King has posthumously awarded to Lieutenant

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Colley the distinguished Service Order."

Chips laid down the list of names, and after a moment said: "None of you here will remember Max Staefel. He was German master at Brookfield from 1893 to 1902. He was popular here and had many friends, among whom I was proud to include myself. I received a letter from Switzerland this morning informing me that he had been killed advancing with the Saxon Regiment on the 15th October last. He was fifty years of age."

"Funny, old Chips reading a German soldier's name out with the others. After all, he was an enemy," said one of the boys when chapel was dismissed.

"One of Chips's ideas," commented his fellow. "He's got lots of funny ideas like that."

At last the armistice was signed and Brookfield School, like all other schools in England, like the towns and cities throughout the United Kingdom and of her allies, went frantically with delight.

Brookfield had a bonfire, bells clanged joyously, rockets went up into the air and burst into brilliant flares of light, whistles screamed, and Chips was borne upon the shoulders of the bigger boys—for wasn't Chips a sort of hero, too, a friend, a tradition, as well as Headmaster of Brookfield?

But Chips was an old man, worn and weary, and he welcomed, though with a deep twinge of regret, his final retirement from Brookfield upon the appointment of Marsham as Headmaster.

He maintained his rooms at Mrs. Wickett's and welcomed the boys who had been in school under him, and the new boys, too, for most of them knew of Chips from their fathers, or uncles or brothers or cousins, and those who didn't were quickly apprised of Chip's place at Brookfield by the upper classmen.

"Why, it was almost as though Chips's statue stood in the Quadrangle along with the other Headmasters of Brookfield!"



Only Chips could be seen walking about the school grounds, cracking his jokes with the youngsters, feeding them cakes and buns with tea at his rooms.

A sort of game developed among the boys, during the years; they would send certain new boys to Mrs. Wickett's to knock at his door and say: "Here, I am, Mr. Chips," and wait to see the boy's astonishment when Chips opened the door.

ONE autumn, some years after the war's end, a new boy, rapped at Chips's door, as he had been instructed.

"Here I am, Mr. Chips," he said, when the door was opened.

"What on earth . . . I can see you are there. What is all this?"

"They told me you wanted to see me," said the crestfallen boy.

"Oh, so they told you, did they?" He looked out into the darkness of the street, and spoke loudly, to be overheard by the waiting boys: "That's quite right: I did want to see you. Come in and have some tea."

When tea had been poured and cakes placed on the table, Chips sat down. "Son, you're a new boy? Name?"

"Colley, sir." "You're not . . . Peter Colley?"

"Yes, sir."

"I knew your father."

"Yes, sir. My father was here, and my grandfather."

"Take your cup and sit by the fire. Have a piece of cake. . . . What do you think of Brookfield?"

"It's . . . it's big, sir."

"You'll like it though when you get used to it. It's not half such an awful place as it seems the first day. Bit afraid of it?"

"A bit, sir."

"So was I to begin with. But that's quite a while ago. Sixty-three years. Tell me, how is your mother?"

"She's . . . You'd like my mother, sir. She's funny. . . . I mean, she makes quite good jokes. Won't you come and see us some day, sir?"

"It's good to have a mother that makes jokes. I was there one autumn when the leaves were turning."

"There, that's the bell for Call Over. You'll have to go. Just walk by the master and call your name. Don't let it scare you."

"I won't now, sir—after that lovely tea."

"You must come again, some day, Colley. Let yourself out. I'm . . . I'm a little tired."

THAT tiredness failed to go away. And one day, Chips opened his weary eyes, coming to from oblivion, to find Marsham, the Headmaster, and Dr. Merivale talking in low tones.

Poor old chap. Must have had a lonely life all by himself," he heard Marsham say.

"Not always by himself," responded Merivale. "He married, you know."

"Did he? I never knew that."

"She died, a long time ago."

"Pity," said Marsham. "Pity he never had any children."

"What was that you were saying about me?" asked Chips weakly.

"Nothing, Chips, nothing at all," Marsham hastened to assure him. "We were just wondering when you were going to wake out of that beauty sleep of yours."

"But I heard you. You were talking about me. Pity I never had any children, eh? But you're wrong, I have. . . . Thousands of 'em . . . and all boys . . ."

CHIPS smiled, drowned a way again. Confused memories floated through his mind: boys passing him, calling their names . . . Max Staefel . . . saying something . . . "I would be happy to have you come with me."

THE END

'Smart, Sampson, Saville, Scott' . . . The mist was rising, hiding the valley below. . . . Owen, O'Hare, Pearson, Pringle, Pascale, Pierce, . . . A voice coming down through the mist: Hel-lo! . . . a girl's voice: "You kissed me!" "You are a very sweet person" . . . "Cooper, Craven, Castle, Colley . . . young Colley—Peter's son . . . What is he saying?" "Goodbye, Mr. Chips . . ."

A low sigh fluttered from the dying man's lips. Dr. Merivale pressed down the eyelids.

THE BRIDE is the only daughter of Mr. Young, Yuen-yin retired merchant of Honolulu and San Francisco, and Mrs. Young. She was born and educated in Honolulu, first visited Hongkong in 1931, and came to live here in 1936. Her long sleeved wedding dress was of white satin with a jacket of silver French brocade. White camellias and candytuft composed her bouquet. The dress and accessories, by Dolly Varden's, came from America.

The Misses Amy Fung and Dorothy Luke were bridesmaids, and the flower-girl was little Wong Mun-gor, youngest daughter of Dr. R. I. Wong and Mrs. Wong. The page boy was Fung Hung-lun, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fung Ping-fan. The bridesmaids wore dainty frocks of turquoise blue net over taffeta, with matching muffs trimmed with sweet peas. The flower-girl wore a similar frock in pink. The same blossoms composed their head-dresses.

The bride's mother attended the ceremony in a Chinese dress of a blue-green shade.

The bridegroom is the second son of the late Mr. Poon Chong-wing and Mrs. Poon, formerly of Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. He was born and educated in Australia, and came to Hongkong in 1930.

Mr. Young gave his daughter away in marriage, and Mr. C. B. Wong and Mr. Nick Poon, the bridegroom's brother, undertook the duties of best men.

The reception, in the form of a dinner and dance, was held at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel, where the many guests, who gathered to wish the couple health, happiness and prosperity, were entertained by Miss Elsie Yuen, the popular Hongkong singer. The toast to the bride and groom was proposed by Mr. Peter Sin.

The honeymoon is being spent at Masso. Mrs. Poon chose a smart going away dress of turquoise blue, with which she wore a pearl necklace.

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ONTARIO OBJECTS

Canadian Prosecution Of War

Ottawa, Jan. 19.

The Ontario Legislature has passed by 44 votes to 10 a motion condemning the Canadian Government's prosecution of the war.

The motion was proposed by the Premier, Mr. Mitchell Hepburn, who announced that he would resign if the motion were defeated. The motion was the endorsement of statements by Mr. Hepburn and the leader of the Conservative Opposition deploring the Federal Government's putting so little effort into the war plans.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, reserving comment, said the Government did not intend to permit Canada's war effort to be prejudicially condemned in any controversy which did not permit the complete presentation of all facts.—Reuter.

South African Effort

Capetown, Jan. 19.

Sir Patrick Duncan, Governor-General of South Africa, at the opening session of Parliament to-day, said further powers would be asked for by the Government to forward South Africa's effort to win the war.

Sir Patrick added that a corporation would be formed to finance and improve industries, and measures would be taken to prevent a rise in prices and to assist unemployment.

South Africa's war-time Parliament will meet for the first time to-day. Its first business is to confirm the Government's action in taking part in the war.

General Horzorg's party has decided to move a resolution saying that the time has come to stop the war against Germany and to talk peace. It is likely that the motion will be defeated.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Prelate Outspoken

Germany, Russia Hostile To Christianity

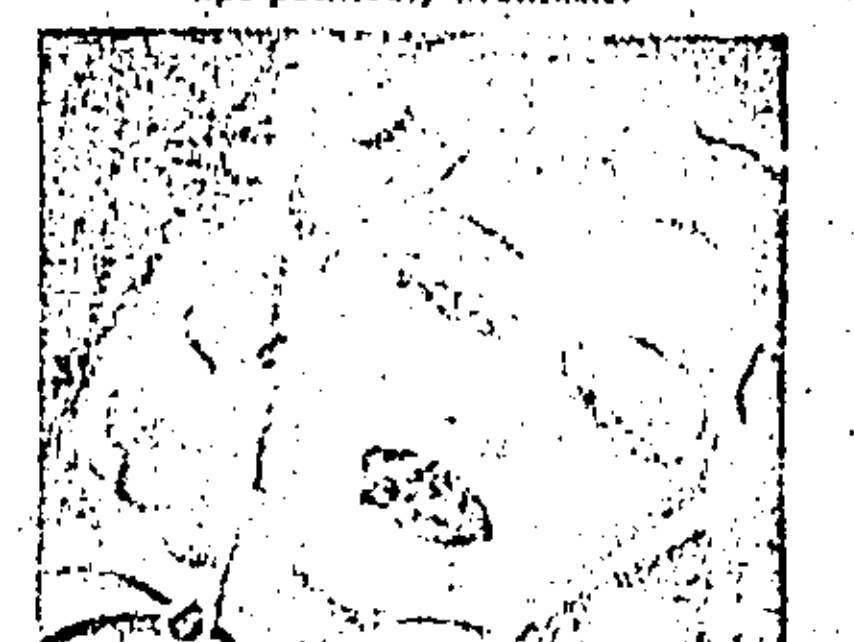
London, Jan. 19.

In the Convocation of York yesterday, the Archbishop of York said, "I cannot use the phrase 'a holy war' for war in its own nature is always an expression of the sin of man, but without hesitation I speak of this as for us a righteous war. It is indeed in a real sense a war for Christian civilization."

The systems of thought and life in the German State to-day and its ambiguous associate, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, are systems inherently hostile to Christian doctrine.—British Wireless.

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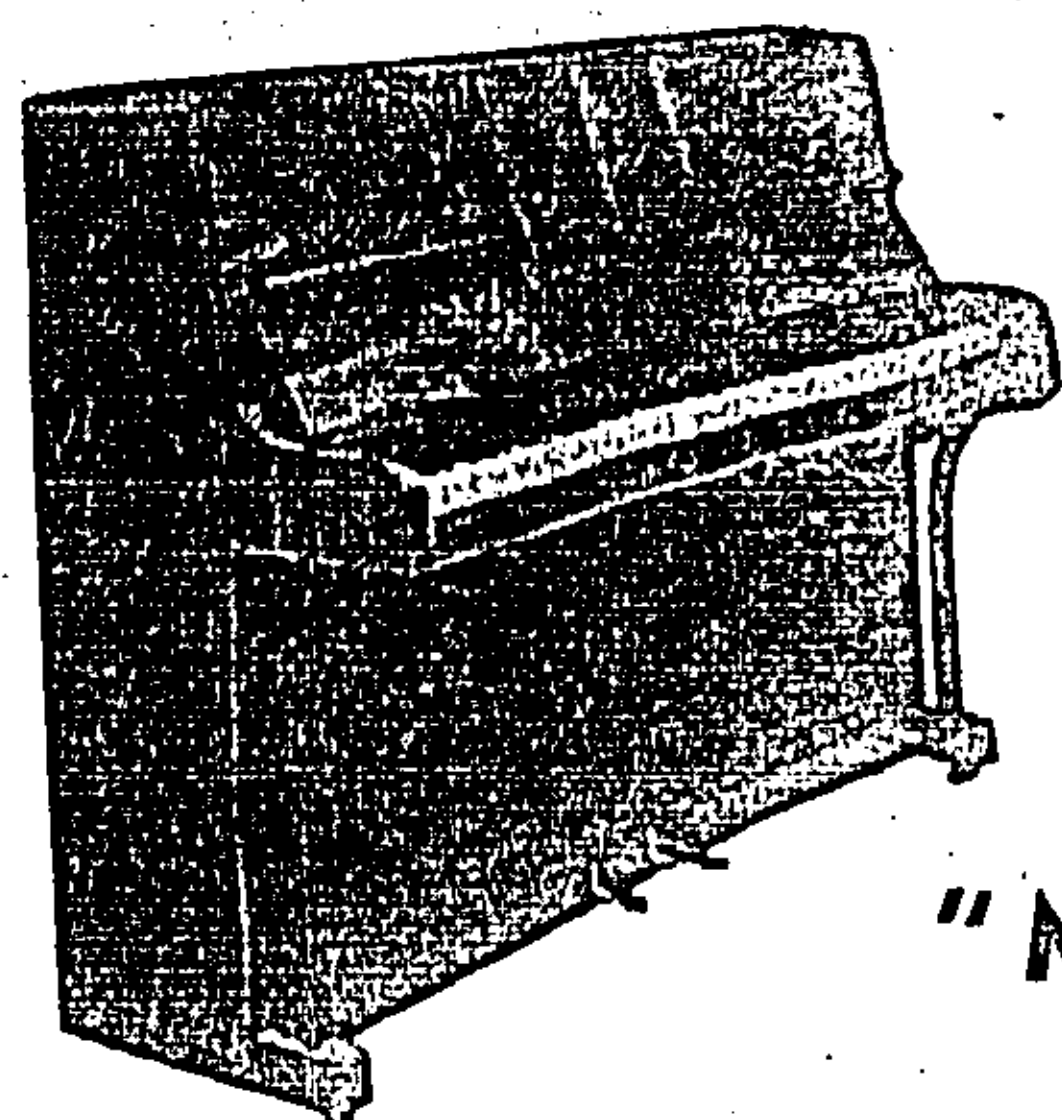
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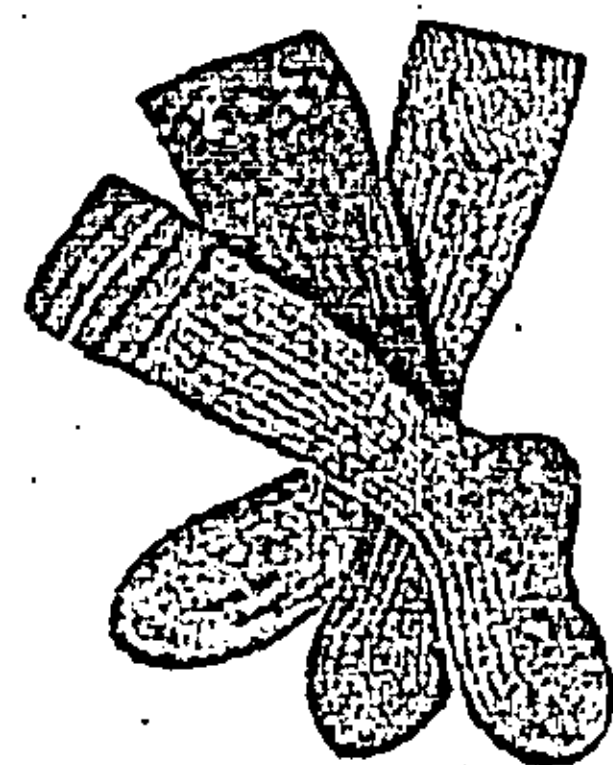
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limbs, which take fifty or more years to  
grow.

To hundreds of unmolested vandals who  
roam our hill-sides they are inanimate objects,  
tragically slaughtered with the chop of an  
axe.

Nothing can compensate for this whole-  
sale destruction that is taking place.  
Nothing can bring life anew to those  
countless stumps that dot the sides of the  
Peak and other hills of the Colony.

Hongkong is justly proud of the work  
of its Botanical and Forestry Department,  
which has made this Colony so noticeably  
different from adjoining territories.

The trees have given colour, composition  
and relief to an otherwise drab island; have  
covered the mainland in a profusion of  
greenery that abruptly ceases at the border.

TO realise the extent of the vandalism  
that is now prevalent—that is des-  
troying the work of years—one must visit  
the localities in which the vandals' axes ring  
throughout the day and night.

Beggars in sacks; filthy, insolent and  
noisome scum whom even the lowliest  
Hongkong-bred coolies despise, comprise this  
army.

**The woman who may  
have started the war**

Was Chosen By  
Hitler As A  
General's Bride.

**HITLER  
CHOOSES A  
BRIDE**

FIELD-MARSHAL  
VON BLOMBERG, Hitler's for-  
mer War Minister  
and favourite Army  
Chief, was trapped into a  
marriage with 24-years-old  
shorthand typist Erika  
Gruhn.

Since the publication of Sir  
Neville Henderson's report on the moderate and independent ad-  
ministrative events which took place during his last weeks as  
Britain's Ambassador to the day he came exclusively under  
Reich, it has been widely said the influence of the wild men of  
that a woman was largely respon- his party, especially Ribbentrop,  
sible for the outbreak of the Goebbels and Himmler.

According to Sir Neville, Field-  
Marshal von Blomberg's mar-  
riage to Erika Gruhn in January,

WHETHER it is right to attri-  
bute so much responsibility

1938, brought about a major  
disaster, for it led Hitler to dis-  
miss Blomberg as War Minister,  
together with about seventy offi-  
cers of high rank.

Consequently a large body of  
the moderate and independent ad-  
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ler's entourage, and from that  
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VON BLOMBERG

to Erika Gruhn, daughter of a  
Hamburg workman, I am in a  
position to answer to-day.

For I was attached to the Ger-  
man Propaganda Ministry when  
the marriage took place and I  
was kept in touch through official  
contacts with the background of  
political events.

Here is the real story behind  
this marriage. It is a story of  
Hitler's duplicity towards his  
own friends.

The Field-Marshal did not fall  
in love with the typist, but  
actually fell into a trap which  
had been cunningly set for him  
by Himmler and his Gestapo  
spies.

And behind the trap was the  
Fuehrer himself. Not only did  
Hitler advise Blomberg to marry  
upon accused Fritsch of insub-  
ordination—advice which had to  
be taken as a command—but he  
exploited the scandal which the  
marriage aroused to get an ex-  
cuse to "sack" Blomberg and  
other Army generals.

THE story begins in 1933 when  
Hitler first came into power  
and appointed his friend Blom-  
berg as War Minister. In 1937  
Blomberg was sent to London as  
leader to the German delegation  
at the Coronation.

On his return home, he ad-  
vised against the continuance of  
German military intervention in  
Spain, and in this view he was  
supported by General von  
Fritsch, Commander-in-Chief.  
From that moment Blomberg  
was suspect. The malicious  
Goebbels told Hitler that Blom-  
berg had been "got at" while in  
military unhealth in Germany  
England, Hitler, believing Goeb-  
left for Italy.

bels, called in Himmler . . .  
and the frame-up began.

Erika Gruhn, a typist in the  
German War Office, who was  
working for Blomberg, was the  
girl chosen to aid in this scheme.  
The Field-Marshal, 59-years-  
old widower, was attracted by  
her youth and charm.

Yet Erika was no glamour  
girl. She never made up, used  
rouge or lipstick, her features  
were heavy, her figure stalwart.

In a few weeks the Fuehrer  
brought matters to a dramatic  
climax. He sent for Blomberg.  
He was cold and uncompromis-  
ing.

"If one of your subordinates  
found himself in a similar  
position," he said to Blomberg,  
"you would expect him to marry  
the girl. You should set the  
example yourself."

It was an ordered marriage.  
Hitler agreed to attend the cere-  
mony as a witness. Goering  
was also invited.

A FEW days afterwards all  
Germany was surprised to  
read in its newspapers that the  
59-years-old Field-Marshal had  
married his young typist at a  
register office.

Blomberg's colleagues—the  
Army chiefs—were scandalised.  
Himmler's agents got busy to  
add fuel to the flames. A re-  
port purporting to deal with  
Erika Gruhn's former career in  
Hamburg—it was far from com-  
plimentary to the girl—was  
handed to General von Fritsch  
who took it to Hitler himself.

Hitler, livid with rage, there-  
upon advised Blomberg to marry  
upon accused Fritsch of insub-  
ordination—advice which had to  
be taken as a command—but he  
exploited the scandal which the  
marriage aroused to get an ex-  
cuse to "sack" Blomberg and  
other Army generals.

SHORTLY afterwards Fritsch  
was placed in what is called  
a state of arrest by the Gestapo  
and deprived of his office as  
Commander-in-Chief.

Later recalled, he was in the  
fighting line before Warsaw  
when he was shot in the back  
by an officer in Himmler's Black  
Guards.  
And what of Field-Marshal  
von Blomberg?  
Five days after the marriage  
he was his ninety-year-old mother sud-  
denly died as a result of the  
shock which the news had given  
him.

Soon after, Blomberg and the  
Goebbels told Hitler that Blom-  
berg had been "got at" while in  
military unhealth in Germany  
England, Hitler, believing Goeb-  
left for Italy.

**OF COURSE YOU KNOW—**

YOUR I.Q. (Intelligence  
Quotient) should have no  
trouble in coping with this  
week's 25. They're nicely  
general, with not too much  
of this and just enough of  
that. Also, let me state,  
there's not by any means  
too much of the other.  
Just as you will see, a happy  
set of mediums which should  
be no trouble at all.

For the guidance of new  
comers, the top score is 50.  
You take two points for  
each correct answer.  
Average score 30-40, above  
average. 40-50.

1.—Here is a quotation from the  
Scriptures. Fill in the blank spaces  
to make it read correctly—  
"Are not . . . and  
rivers of Damascus, better than  
all the waters of Israel?"

2.—Safety matches are usually for  
manufactured from two of these  
woods. Pick the two—  
Cedar; willow; teak; ebony;  
aspens; pine; oak; ash.

3.—Lord's, where the Empire's  
cricket tycoons get together on  
occasions, is in London, of course,  
but being more explicit, it is in—  
Kensington; Chelsea; St. John's  
Wood; Fulham; Wembley; Shep-  
herd's Bush; Putney.

4.—Boadicea, Queen of the Iceni,  
gave the Romans a few headaches  
until they liquidated her. The  
stomping-ground of Boadicea and her  
Iceni tribe was—  
Kent; East Anglia; Wessex;  
Wales; Northumbria; Devon;  
Cornwall.

5.—After the Romans suppressed  
her warriors, Boadicea met an un-  
timely end, by—  
Burning; the sword; drown-  
ing; taking poison; crucifixion.

6.—Anne is the least-known of the  
three Bronte sisters, but she could  
write books, too. Her best work is—  
Wuthering Heights; Jane Eyre;  
Agnes Grey; Shirley; Villette.

7.—Wizard of the North is the  
label which his admirers generally  
tag on—  
Thomas Carlyle; Robert Burns;  
Sir Walter Scott; Robert Louis  
Stevenson; Sir Harry Lauder;  
Will Fyfe.

8.—If you wanted to observe the  
habits of Shihalee in their native  
surroundings you would have to go  
to—  
Senegal; Malaya; Ceylon;  
Mexico; Sinaloa; Senegambia; St.  
Helena.

9.—Purely as a figure of speech,  
a mare's nest refers to—  
A Chinese delicacy; a fancied  
discovery; a hot of emeralds;  
a subject raised to distract atten-  
tion; a task beyond one's strength.

10.—The ship in which Captain  
Robert Falcon Scott made his last  
voyage to the Antarctic was named  
the—  
Discovery; Enterprise; Nova  
Terra; Encounter; Wyatt Earp;  
Polar Star.

11.—Study your atlas carefully and  
you will find that the Morea is in—  
Greece; Turkey; Hungary;  
Yugoslavia; Bulgaria; Rumania.

12.—Quoth Burgatroyd: "If there  
is one thing I like more than another  
it is a dish of piping-hot moulousa  
breakfast!" Said I: "You're  
manufactured from two of these  
being ridiculous again. Moulousa  
are—  
Shell-fish; small particles;  
teeth; East Indian islands; treacle  
from sugar-cane.

13.—As Hitler said about the Allied  
blockade: "It's enough to make an  
Iron cross. Which brings us to the  
story this week of the Soviet steamer  
Senegal, which was brought in  
Hongkong with a cargo of wolfram  
on board. Wolfram, of course, is  
valuable because it—  
Is used to manufacture ex-  
plosives; emits a wolf's howl;  
produces gas for airships; con-  
tains tungsten; is useful for  
hurting at cats; cures diphtheria.

14.—Leader of the Labour Opposi-  
tion in the House of Commons is  
one Clement Robert Attlee, who  
sought in the war of 1914-1918 and  
attained the rank of—  
Sergeant-major; lieutenant;  
captain; major; colonel; brig-  
adier.

15.—Wrecked on a desert island,  
you would, I imagine, want the  
driest, driest and most un-  
happy. "Water, water everywhere  
nor any drop to drink." These words  
were written by—  
St. Paul; Tennyson; Coleridge;  
Dejeu; Dryden; Pope.

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**EDDIE ("BLITZKRIEG") KELLY BREAKS A LONG SILENCE  
(HE WAS GAGGED BY HIS FRIENDS) TO WRITE ABOUT—**

**—Well, You Tell Us What It's About!**

EVER SINCE New  
Year's Eve we've  
felt a wreck (Have  
you ever been wrecked,  
Uncle Eddie?) Yes,  
my love, many a time.  
We were a boat-swain  
—from "boat," mean-  
ing a boat, and  
"swain," which is  
Oxford or Peak for  
"pig"—on the a.s.  
Pinky-pinky, when we  
were boarded by  
pirates.

Well, the red blood of  
the skipper was running  
down the scupper. And  
the light was going very  
hot and strong, so we  
threw away our sword  
and, diving overboard,

we swam through starling  
sharks about fifteen feet  
long.  
And if that's not poetry  
as good as that stuff you  
sometimes see in the  
"South China Morning  
Post" we won't write an-  
other thing. When we  
landed on the strand  
there was not a helping  
hand to grab us from the  
ocean's hungry maw.  
But with feelings strictly  
moral, we grabbed a  
piece of Coral (you can't  
keep this poetry up); she  
was the loveliest girl we  
ever saw. Honour being  
satisfied we will now get  
on with this tale.

We awoke next morn-  
ing on the beach with the  
hot sun burning down on  
us. We immediately  
started to search for  
Flotsam and Jetsam, two  
of the crew who might  
have escaped the general  
slaughter. They were not to be  
found. There was only a  
piano, an axe, a pair of  
asparagus tongs and a

life-size portrait of Mr.  
Hore-Bellish with a re-  
signed look on his face.  
Not a drop of toothpaste  
was washed up.  
By the way, if any of  
our readers want to find  
an easy way to getting  
washed up on the beach's  
day off, get wrecked.  
About this time we dis-  
covered the footprint.  
This convinced us that  
there was someone else  
on the island with a foot.  
So we staggered off into  
the jungle.

By now we have a  
beard which makes the  
jungle look like the  
K.B.G.C. lawn. In the  
centre of the island was  
a spring. We were wind-  
ing it up when a herd of  
natives rowed up in their  
canoes, or sampans or  
saucepans or whatever the  
hell you call the things,  
and landed on the beach.  
Finally pulling our  
beard around us, we cur-  
led up and looked like a  
coconut tree.  
We were discovered by  
one of the cannibals, who

wanted to be quite friend-  
ly. However, we escaped.  
It was then that we  
discovered the owner of  
the footprint. She was a  
small girl, so we called  
her Saturday-Saturday  
being a half-day.

It was strange how we  
were rescued. Years and  
years went by, and no  
sign of a sail. We were  
standing one day on the  
beach with our thirty-five  
children when we sighted  
a ship on the horizon.  
We were rescued. Hurray!  
But the worst was to  
come. Our rescue ship,  
we discovered, was com-  
ing to Hongkong. We  
tried to jump overboard  
again and return to our  
Saturday, but the Editor  
insisted that it was  
Wednesday and, besides,  
Chinese New Year, is only  
a week or so off, and what  
we're going to do about  
next month's pay has got  
us puzzled—besides it's six  
o'clock, so we reckon  
we've done a fair day's  
work, which reminds us  
that—

THIS is the story of a modern miracle. Some weeks ago a young European child was taken to a Government hospital in Hongkong with pneumonia. But for research in England that is not yet even completed she may have died. But she was saved. Others in Hongkong have also been saved by this new miracle, which is known simply as—

# M & B 693

## SPELLS DEATH TO THE KILLER

THE most murderous creature at large on this earth is diplococcus pneumoniae, the microbe that causes pneumonia. This tiny minkiller takes more lives than scarlet fever and typhoid fever, malaria, influenza, meningitis and motor car accidents put together. It destroys people more rapidly than the highly efficient German army did in the Great War.

MUCH of the havoc caused in human lungs by this deadly microbe traces to its tough armour.

The body's protective forces have difficulty cracking the hickory-nut shell and getting at the microbe itself.

But research men have at last solved the problem, and one of the most brilliant chapters in modern medicine has been written.

penicillin to pieces and build it up in new patterns.

It took the great Ehrlich years to plough through 605 arsenic compounds before he found No. 600, which would work on syphilis. Modern methods speeded the work at May & Baker.

Within a few weeks hundreds of new compounds began to emerge from the laboratories. Some were violent poisons and were discarded, but 693 held out some hope—hope that exploded when they failed to protect mice.

Finally, compound No. 693 was completed, an innocent-looking white crystalline stuff.

It bore a jaw-breaking name: 2—(p—Amidobenzenesulfonyl—6—aminopyrimidin—2—yl)—6—methyl—4—pyridine—3—carboxamide (M. & B. 693).

Like all hopeful-looking false alarms before it, 693 was shipped to Dr. Lionel E. H. Whitty, pathologist at Dudley Road Hospital in Birmingham, for testing on animals.

Whitty, following his patient's line used with all the others, shot each mouse in one batch full of side the body of a man without killing the man himself. His discovery in 1910 of salvarsan, the anti-syphilis drug, set the research world ablaze. Everywhere men began looking for similar substances which would work on other bacteria, but more than 20 years passed before another researcher met any outstanding success.

Then, in Elberfeld, Germany, Gerhard Domagk found the magic stuff from which sulfanilamide is derived. This is the new drug that cures the murderous streptococci, causes of strep meningitis, childhood fever, and erysipelas. Researchers quickly tried sulfanilamide on other things and thus opened up a new approach to pneumonia.

Thousands of white mice—which die very quickly from pneumonia—got thousands of doses of microbes and thousands of doses of sulfanilamide.

The mice lingered on for several days, but eventually died. Domagk's drug obviously wasn't the answer. Yet there was one odd fact about it—why did it delay death? Maybe somewhere within sulfanilamide lay still more magic—magic which would kill the worst of the microbe killers.

IN every test he devised, 693 stood its ground.

Now it was ready for a test on human beings. Rules for the game of life and death were drawn up—

old rules, but none the less dramatic. Half the patients in the experiment would get routine treatment. The other half would also receive M. & B. 693.

Such an experiment is hard on the nerves of any doctor.

If the new drug appears to work on one group, it is difficult to withhold it from another; to sit back, watching death which might be avoided creep relentlessly on.

Yet such things must be done if a true assay of the value of the drug is to be made. No effort was made at Dudley Road Hospital to sort patients. Those entering one day went into Group A; those of the following day into Group B, etc. There were 100 people in each group, ranging in age from eight to 69 and representing all degrees of severity of illness.

DOCTORS are wary of any drug which seems to give quick and dramatic results in pneumonia. There is always the chance that it is being administered just as the patient approaches the crisis. Rapid recoveries are the rule if the crisis is passed successfully. And such recoveries may be mistakenly attributed to the drug.

To check on this point the conductors of the clinical work would withdraw 693 from patients.

Almost invariably they had an immediate relapse.

When 693 was restored they improved. There seemed to be no mistake this time.

Each four hours, at first, patients would get the half-grain tablets with the faintly bitter taste. Toxic symptoms and fever unmistakably subsided; and it was immediately apparent that there were not nearly so many deaths in the 693 group as in the other. Yet there were a few deaths. Why not try larger doses of the drug, and give it to patients as soon as they arrived at the hospital?

Once this new procedure was inaugurated medical miracles began to happen.

The final tally of mortality statistics showed that 27 of the patients who got routine treatment died. In the 693 group only eight died; and six of the deaths occurred before larger doses of the drug were used.

A series of children's cases came next. In a group of 40 youngsters there were only two deaths, and both of the casualties suffered from peritonitis as well as pneumonia. All over England doctors began using 693 with spectacular results.



## How's Your Cold?

"By far the most pleasant way..."

NOTHING, I am told, is so common as the common cold, and nothing seems to defeat us so thoroughly.

It may be because nothing has so many possible cures. When we get trouble with an appendix we have it out. The same applies in many cases to teeth, instruments left in us at the last operation, and such things as screws inadvertently swallowed while eating salad.

But you can't have a cold out, and no one ever seems to take a cold in hand till it is too late.

It commonly begins with a Mr. Higgins, the cashier, turning up on Monday with what is known as a streaming cold.

What he should do is to go to bed and stay there, but, being one of those who only earns \$450 a month as against the manager's four thousand, it is clear that he cannot be spared, or the whole place would be in a state of complete financial chaos. Besides, he rather fears he might be replaced.

And then it is, when he has sneezed all over the typewriter, the telephones, and the entire gamut of filing systems and loose-leaf ledgers, that the advice begins to come in as the best way of curing a cold.

There are some who believe that the best way is to sit with the feet immersed in a tub of boiling water for most of the evening and drink hot milk.

## CALENDAR OF MANKIND

PROFESSOR ARTHUR H. COMPTON, Nobel prize winner in physics, noted cosmic ray investigator, compresses the time scale a millionfold and presents the following Calendar of Mankind:

One to two years ago: The first men learned to use sticks and stones as tools and weapons.

Last week: Someone developed the art of shaping stones to meet his needs.

Yesterday: The alphabet was introduced.

Last midnight: Rome fell.

8.15 this morning: Galileo observed his falling bodies.

10 a.m.: The first steam engine was being built.

11.30 a.m.: The telegraph, electric power, etc., followed out of these.

Fifteen minutes ago: The motor-car came into general use.

Five minutes ago: Air-mail service began.

## BUT ARE YOU SURE?

16—Commander of the British forces in Iraq during the war was Mesopotamia then—was—

Hamilton, Albany, Maude; French; Wilson; Smith-Dorrien.

17—How's your blenny? Two of these names of flowers are, I hope, misspelt. Correct me where I'm wrong:—

Anemone; antirrhinum; podesia; fuchsia; mimbrilla; eschscholtzia.

18—When a Japanese goes fishing he takes a bird along with him to do the hard work. That bird is the:—

Cormorant; crane; pelican; penguin; albatross; heron.

19—Sir John Falstaff, in one of his disreputable adventures, was told to hide behind the arras. You don't have to be a Shakespearean scholar to know that an arras is a:—

Bed; bar counter; oaken chest; tapestry screen; wicker whatnot.

20—Cebichinal is a culinary coloring substance, derived from the:—

Leaves of plants; coal-tar; bark of trees; juice of berries; bodies of insects.

21—The bloke who in the course of business talks about enucleation and imagines that you understand him is a:—

Printer; surgeon; musician; painter; astrologer.

22—Here are five varieties of wild life. Three of them walk on six legs and two on eight. The eight-legged creatures are:—

Bees; beetle; scorpion; ant; spider.

23—These chaps turned an honest penny by painting pictures, not houses. They were Britons with one exception. That exception—an American—is:—

Constable; Hogarth; Maclean; Watts; Poynter; Landseer; Lawrence.

24—How quick are you on the uptake? From these clues you should be able to identify a certain little lady:—

A female character in one of Dickens's novels; a kind of print dress; a wide-brimmed woman's hat with one side bent down.

25—After this, you'll know that the word actually actually means:—

A military procession; a complete suit of armour; the covering for a four-poster bed; an officer's flag.

(Answers On Page 9)

## BRAIN TEASERS

### THE BARGAIN

Customer: How much is this lace a yard, young man?

Salesman: So and so, madame.

Customer: Oh! Much too dear.

Salesman: Well, madame, I could reduce the price by a halfpenny a yard.

Customer (absent-mindedly): Good, that will give me an extra yard for ten shillings. I'll take ten shillings-worth.

Salesman (in a quandary): Yes, madame, er, how many yards is that, you remember?

Can you tell him?

### HOW MANY EACH?

Alfred, Bertram, Charles and Dick had a number of marbles to divide between them. Alfred took half of them and one. Bertram took one more than half of those left. Charles took less than a fifth of the original number, and Dick had the remaining two.

How many marbles were there at the start?

### OUTSIDERS

In each group of names below there is one outsider—one that has no application to the list as a whole.

Can you spot it and explain why?

(a) London, Edinburgh, Oxford, Torquay.

(b) Chaff, Scold, Banter.

Badinage.

(c) Tennyson, Byron, Massfield, Bridges.

### RISES FOR JONES

Jones has had twenty rises since he has been with his firm, and now earns £10 a week. Each rise was of the same amount, and after 10 rises Jones was earning three times as much as he started with.

At what salary did he commence?

Solutions on Page 9.

# by ROOSEVELT

## Why U.S. Arms Ban Has Gone

THE world to-day hails America's decision on President Roosevelt's fight to repeal the Neutrality Act which prevented the United States selling arms to Britain.

Here, in his own words, the President shows what Britain stands to gain by the repeal.

FOR many years the primary purpose of the foreign policy of the United States has been to strive to the utmost to aid in avoiding war among nations.

We did our utmost within our traditional policy of non-involvement to aid in averting the present appalling war.

In the light of problems of to-day, responsibility for acts of aggression is not concealed, and the writing of the record can safely be left to future historians.

An order of society which relegates religion, democracy, and good faith among nations to the background can find no place within it for the ideals of the Prince of Peace.

We know what might happen to the United States if the philosophies of force were to encompass the other continents and invade our own.

LAST January I said, "We have learned that when we deliberately try to legislate neutrality our neutrality may operate unevenly and unfairly, may actually give aid to the aggressor and deny it to the victim."

It was because of what I foresaw last January from watching the trend of foreign affairs and their probable effect upon us that I recommended to Congress that July that changes be enacted in our neutrality laws.

The embargo provisions of the Neutrality Act of 1935 as they exist to-day prevent the sale to a belligerent by an American factory of any completed implements of war, but they allow the



sale of any type of uncompleted implements of war as well as all kinds of general material and supplies.

They furthermore allow such products of industry and agriculture to be taken in American flag ships to belligerent nations.

There is itself under the present law lies definite danger to our neutrality and our peace.

LET me set forth the present paradox of the existing legislation in its simplest terms.

If prior to 1935 a general war had broken out in Europe, the United States would have sold to and bought from belligerent nations such goods and products of all kinds as the belligerent nations with their existing facilities and geographical situations were able to buy from us or sell to us.

If a war had broken out in Europe in 1935 there would have been no difference, for example, between our exports of sheets of aluminum and our exports of airplane wings. To-day there is an artificial legal difference.

Before 1935 there would have been no difference between the export of iron in the Western world, a citadel cotton and the export of gun-cotton. To-day there is.

Let us be factual. Let us recognize that a belligerent nation often needs wheat and land and cotton for the survival of its population just as much as it needs anti-aircraft guns and anti-submarine depth charges.

Let those who seek to retain the present embargo position be fully consistent. Let them seek new legislation to cut off cotton and copper and meat and wheat and a thousand other articles from all the nations at war.

I seek a greater consistency; a greater consistency through the repeal of the embargo provisions and the return to normal law.

It is my deep and unalterable conviction that by the repeal of the embargo the United States will more probably remain at peace than if the law remains as it stands to-day.

I SAY this because with the repeal of the embargo our Government will insist that American citizens and American ships keep away from the immediate perils of the actual zones of conflict.

The enactment of the embargo provisions more than merely reversed our traditional policy.

It had the effect of putting land powers on the same footing as naval powers so far as sea-borne commerce was concerned.

A land power which threatened war could thus feel assured in advance that any prospective sea power antagonist would be weakened through denial of this ancient right to buy anything anywhere.

The step I recommend is to put America back on a solid footing of real and traditional neutrality.

Our policy must be to appreciate in the deepest sense the true American interest. Rightly considered, this interest is not selfish. Destiny has made us with our sister nations in the same hemisphere joint heirs of European culture.

Fate now seems to compel us to assume the task of helping to maintain in the Western world a citadel wherein that civilization may be kept alive.

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# PRETTY ON TOP

A new blouse  
will do  
the trick...



FAMILY parties at home or visits to friends are popular these days. If there's to be dancing you will put on your prettiest frock, but you'll need something just a little festive for those other do's. Clothes not only affect your own spirits but those of other people as well, and it will start the evening on a cheery note if you appear to have taken a little trouble to look attractive.

That's why there is patterned for you to-day two blouses. With the help of last season's skirt they will give a festive air to your party finery.

First, the attractive design on the left—No. 1344. If you want something serviceable, make it in maroon or satin backed crepe, using the dull surface of the latter if you are very young as the satin side makes one look older.

For colour shall we say orchid pink or cherry red?—both are charming!

## ALL CREW DROWNED

London, Jan. 16.  
The whole of the crew of 45 of the Dublin tanker Inverdun, 9,500 tons, is believed to have been lost when the ship sank off the south-west coast of England after an explosion on Tuesday.  
Fourteen were British officers and engineers and the rest West Indians. An eyewitness of the explosion ashore said he believed he saw a craft near the tanker looking like a submarine. —Reuter Bulletin.

## Laundry Tip

To iron tablecloths, fold them right side out, selvage to selvage. Beginning at the selvage sides, iron first one side then on the other. When the cloth is perfectly dry and very smooth, fold again lengthwise and iron carefully. Fold again into small size for storing, but do not press with an iron. This would make large creases which would not look well on the table.

There is hardly any matching to this blouse—little revers, a pointed band at waist, and an attractive new sleeve decorated with small diamond buttons, which also trim the front.

Our second blouse, No. 1345, is a real bargain, as you can cut it out of 1½ yards of fabric. Very easy on the eye, all your friends will admire it. It will suit most women as the raglan cut, something new in blouses, is pretty gauged either side and gives a softly draped neckline.

## INCREASING WEIGHT MADE HER DESPAIR

Every Week She Grew Heavier

Do you find that you have put on weight each time you step on the scales? If so, you will understand this woman's feeling of despair. She found herself growing heavier with every week. And you will appreciate the sense of gratitude which led her to write this letter, when she at last succeeded in reversing the process.

"I have been taking Kruschen Salts for reducing my weight, and am perfectly satisfied with the result. Two years ago, I started putting on weight rapidly. I was weighed every week, only to find my weight increasing. I was in despair. My chemist advised me to try Kruschen, and now each morning, I take the prescribed dose in a glass of hot water. I am thankful to say that after following this simple treatment I have lost 13 lbs. I shall always take Kruschen to ward off that tendency to put on fat."—(Mrs.) N.J.

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The smart military cut of the boy friend's uniform sets the British lady's style with its squared shoulders and lapels. A Glengarry-style cap tops the lot, with a tricky feather stuck in it.

## CREAM CAKE

Add two teaspoons baking powder to two cups sifted flour and one cup sugar and sift. Add three eggs, one-half cup sweet cream and a dash of flavouring. Beat thoroughly. Bake for 45 minutes in a moderate oven. Decorate with whipped cream and chocolate sprinkles.

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"WELL, HAPPY NEW YEAR! D'YA FEEL ANY OLDER?"

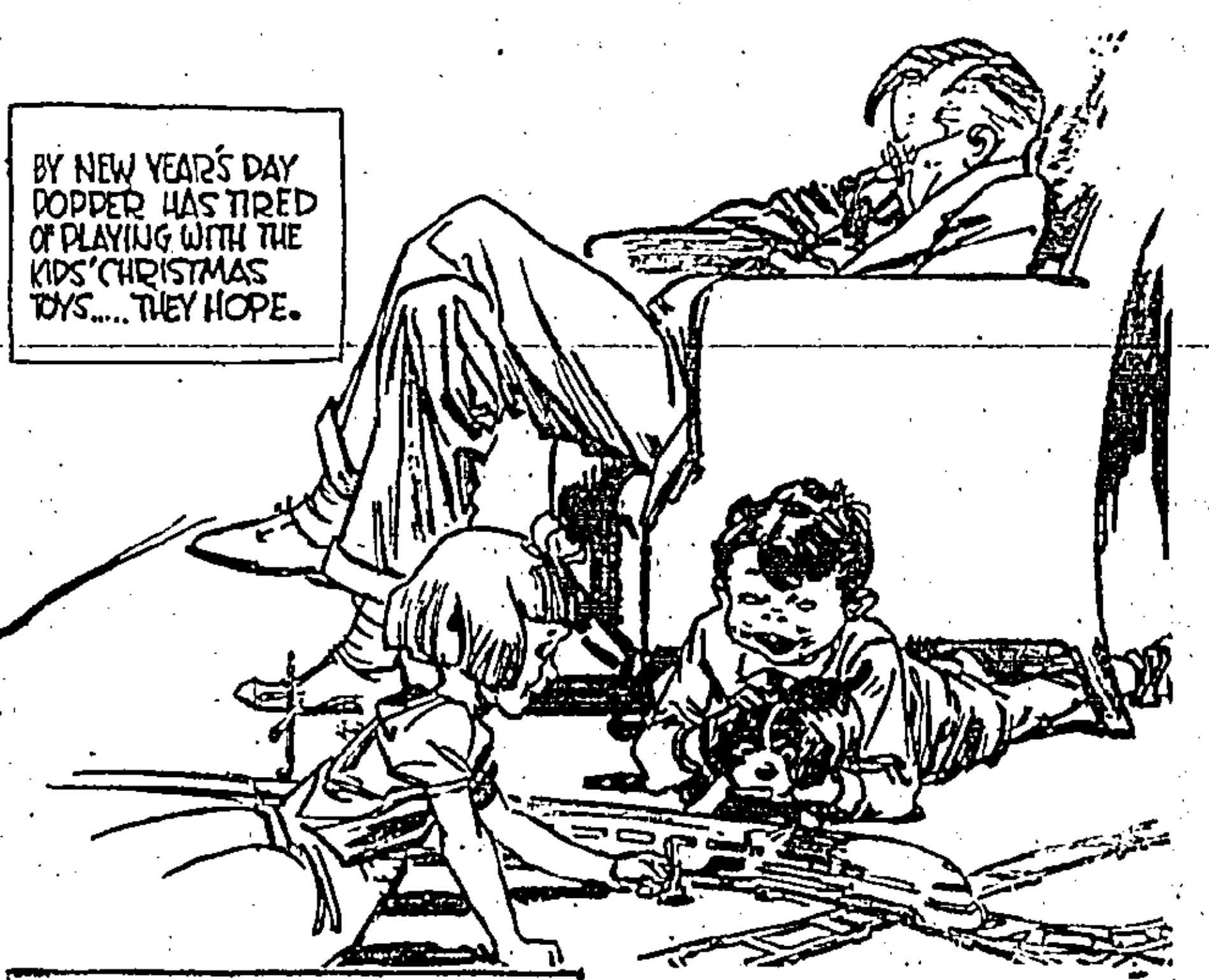
"IT'S TIME TO DRAG OUT THIS GAG, DUST IT OFF AND SPRING IT ON THE HARDEST VICTIM."



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"HEAVENS! THOSE CANTAL BE FOR ME."

"THE FIRST TOUCH OF GROWING REGRET FOR LAST YEAR BEGINS ON TUESDAY MORNING THIS YEAR... PILLS... PILLS... AND MORE PILLS."



"NOW, SWEET THE MONEY IN AND WE'LL HAVE LOTS ALL YEAR."

"LITTLE SUPERSTITIONS LIKE SWEEPING COINS IN AT THE DOOR ALONG WITH THE NEW YEAR ARE WORTHLESS ENOUGH... IF YOU DON'T GET PHILIPINA."



## A Look Through The "Telegraph"

### 50 YEARS AGO

Jan. 20, 1890.  
For sale, Superior carpets, linings, 1890, 1875-1890, 1884, Calcutta, Melboreg & Co., 2 Polder's Street.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Jan. 20, 1915.  
The damage caused by the air raid is very slight. It only amounted to \$10 sterling at Yarmouth, while the total death toll is two women and two men. It appears that six aircraft reached the coast and then separated northward and southward.

The Yarmouth authorities are positively that their visitors were aeroplanes. The situation in the raided towns is already normal.

Cromer cleverly escaped owing to the aircraft's promptitude in extinguishing all lights. The aircraft consequently did not see the town, and no bombs were dropped on it.

Opinion is divided as to whether the raiders were aeroplanes or Zeppelins. The latest idea is that it was an aeroplane dash combined with Zeppelin movements.

The aircraft subsequently dropped two bombs at Sheringham which, however, did not suffer damage. It is noteworthy that an Amsterdam telegram reports that three German aeroplanes were sighted from the island of Anglesey early in the afternoon, flying westward.

Two houses were demolished and one damaged at King's Lynn and a boy was killed and three other persons injured. The damage at Sandringham is not known. The London special constables were called out in view of the air raid.

Their Majesties, the King and Queen left Sandringham yesterday and arrived in London several hours before the appearance of the hostile aircraft.

A Zeppelin passed Dersingham, which is half a mile from Sandringham House (the residence of Queen Alexandra), but the nearest place at which a bomb was thrown was at Hinchin, near Houghton. In the streets in King's Lynn where some houses were demolished, all the front doors were burst in and the furniture scattered.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Jan. 20, 1930.  
Although the difficulties are immense, the local broadcasting station ZHW is making every endeavour to relay His Majesty the King's speech at the opening of the Naval Conference in London today. It is hoped to do this between the hours of 7 and 9 p.m.

On enquiry at the Radio Office we are informed that the greatest difficulty to overcome in receiving distant stations for relaying is what is known as "fading". To overcome this, the modern practice is to have a series of aerials placed at certain distances apart. This arrangement may be extended over a thousand yards, or further.

At the central receiving station of the Hongkong Government, the relaying service is located at the Royal Observatory, this arrangement cannot be employed owing to lack of ground space. However, to some extent this

## OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Goodbye, Mr. Chips" (Queen's and Alhambra).—Outstanding among the film releases for this week-end is "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," M.G.M. British Studios' adaptation of James Hilton's famous book.

It is an exceptional picture, not only for the fine acting, but because it depicts the life of a schoolmaster in the inspired and tender record of the career of an amiable nonentity who never did anything except just to "keep on keeping on."

The story of Mr. Chipping, a modest schoolmaster at Brookfield, is traced through the years, from the time he takes his first "prep" class until the day of his death. Chips devoted his whole life to teaching and finally achieved his ambition to become a headmaster only through war-time exigencies.

The action of the film is dominated by Robert Donat, the lovely Mr. Chips, who conveys the shades and gradations of youth, experience and age with a delicacy which is as convincing as the make-up he wears.

Greer Garson, in her first picture, gives a lovely performance as the schoolmaster's wife. Splendid support is given by a well-chosen cast from a number of boys, headed by young Terry Kilburn, last seen here in "Lord Jeff".

Pitched in a minor key, the film's development reveals the usual ability in the handling of romantic moments, introduces some delightful comedy and radiates an atmosphere of kindness.

"Goodbye, Mr. Chips" is a film that should not be missed.

"Hound of the Baskervilles" (Majestic).—Basil Rathbone as Sherlock Holmes, complete with deer-stalker cap and pipe, in a grim story of a Dartmoor murder. Nigel Bruce appears as Dr. Watson and Richard Greene is the hound.

"Coast Guard" (Oriental).—Dramatic story of lady-killer and coastguard who marries his friend's girl, falls to pieces when she leaves him and redeems himself by saving same friend's life. Starring Randolph Scott, Frances Dee and Ralph Bellamy.

"Here I Am A Stranger" (King).—Richard Greene's first starring role as a boy who reaches manhood to find himself a stranger in the world he has grown up in. Others in the cast include Richard Dix and Brenda Joyce.

principle is being effected by establishing separate receivers at the Observatory, at the G.P.O. building and at the Peak. The signals received from all three, or from the best of these, will be used.

Every possible effort will be made to obtain satisfactory results, but if this is impossible, geomophone music will be broadcast.

In common with many other parts of the Far East, Hongkong is finding that the risk is gradually being driven off its streets as a result of the growing use of motor transport.

### 5 YEARS AGO

Jan. 20, 1935.  
The nations of the League of Nations have issued a communique in which they announce their agreement for adherence to the Franco-Italian Rome Pact.

## "STARLIGHT" FOR STREETS OF THE WEST END

LONDON'S West End was lit by street lamps one night recently for the first time since the war began. The effect was hardly noticed, but on really dark, moonless nights the new lights, it is claimed, will enable pedestrians to move about in safety.

At the same time it was announced that at long last there are to be lights in buses and trams by which newspapers can be read comfortably.

Ordinary street lighting is a thousand times brighter than this .0002 foot candle-power, which is all that Sir John Anderson will allow. The effect, a lighting expert said, is really one of starlight.

Faint points of light rose from lamp standards along the streets, a lighting so feeble that it can hardly be measured in the laboratory. There was much brighter lighting on cars and in shop windows.

A taxi-driver, asked his opinion, said: "To tell the truth, I didn't notice it. Is that it? Well, it doesn't look much, does it? But it might help if it was really dark."

A lighting expert said: "The light is not so strong as moonlight, but even this fractional amount of light will be a considerable help to Christmas shoppers. It will be enough to save people from bumping into sandbags, lamp-posts, pillar-boxes and the like."

A reporter toured the "starlight" area, which comprised Aldwych, Kingsway, Queen Street, Long Acre, Cranbourne Street, Coventry Street, Piccadilly Circus, Conduit Street, Bond Street, St. James's Street, Pall Mall and Strand.

Just A Faint Glow  
On The Pavement

There was a great deal of competition from bus and car headlights, torches carried by pedestrians, traffic signals and dimmed shop lights he writes.

But the street lights were there—like glow-worms in the sky. Looking directly overhead, I could see a point of light surrounded by two circles of luminosity. There was a faint glow on the pavement and the kerb at my feet. With concentration it was possible to make out as many as two street lights further on.

A Bond Street shopkeeper declared that he had been doing business half an hour later than usual. My taxi-driver said the new lights would give him a "route line" along the streets.

The glimmer comes from the ordinary standards, in which 15 or 20 watt lamps are specially hooded to show no light at all from above and very little indeed below. The cost of the new lights is 5 per cent. of the normal. The lights can be left on even during an air raid, they tell me—and I am not surprised.

Better Lights  
For Buses And Trams

Passengers in omnibuses, trolley buses and trams will be able to read their evening newspapers in comfort very soon, according to the Ministry of Home Security, who announced that a new shade has been designed which will enable every lamp inside the vehicle to be used without throwing a light outside.

It may be some time before every vehicle is equipped, because at the moment only sufficient shades have been manufactured for demonstration runs in various parts of the country.

Lighting engineers from the Ministry of Transport have been experimenting for weeks with different types of shade.

## DR. J. T. SMALLEY Presentation by Nurses And Colleagues

Dr. J. T. Smalley, who retires from the Hongkong Government medical service today, was presented with a solid silver salver and entree dish by his colleagues and past and present nursing sisters at a farewell tea party at the Kowloon Hospital yesterday.

The presentation was made by Miss Sutton, Principal Matron.

Dr. I. Newton, who succeeds Dr. Smalley, thanked his predecessor for the kindness and ready guidance which he had always extended to those who had worked under him, and wished him and Mrs. Smalley many years of happy retirement.

Dr. Smalley suitably replied, and gave a brief history of the Kowloon Hospital with which he had been connected since its opening on December 22, 1926.

It is understood that Dr. Smalley has decided to settle in Hongkong, where he first came in 1913, and may pursue his professional career in a private capacity.

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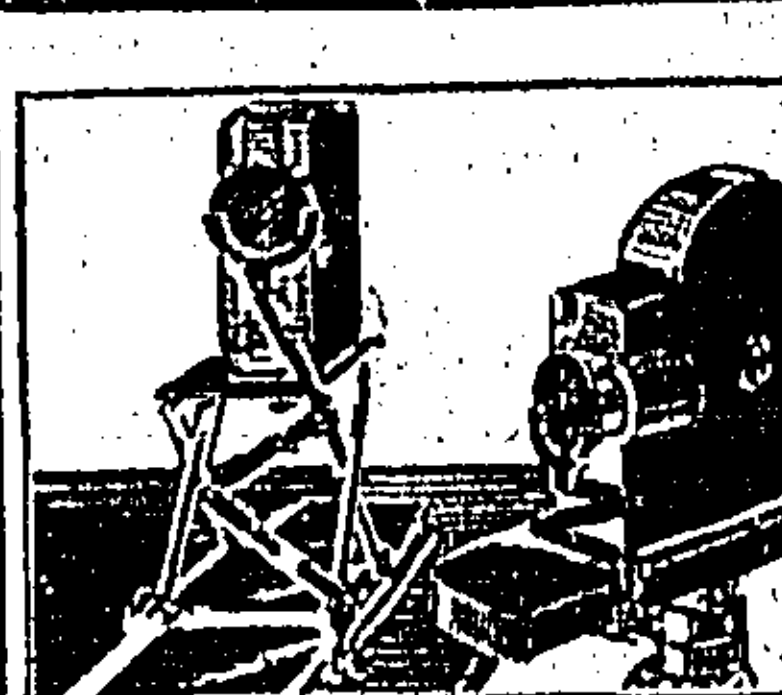
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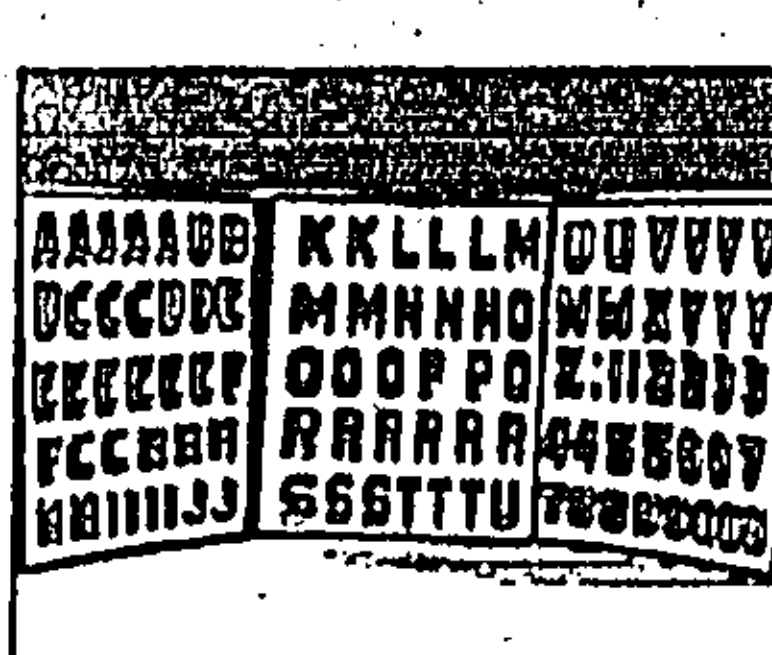
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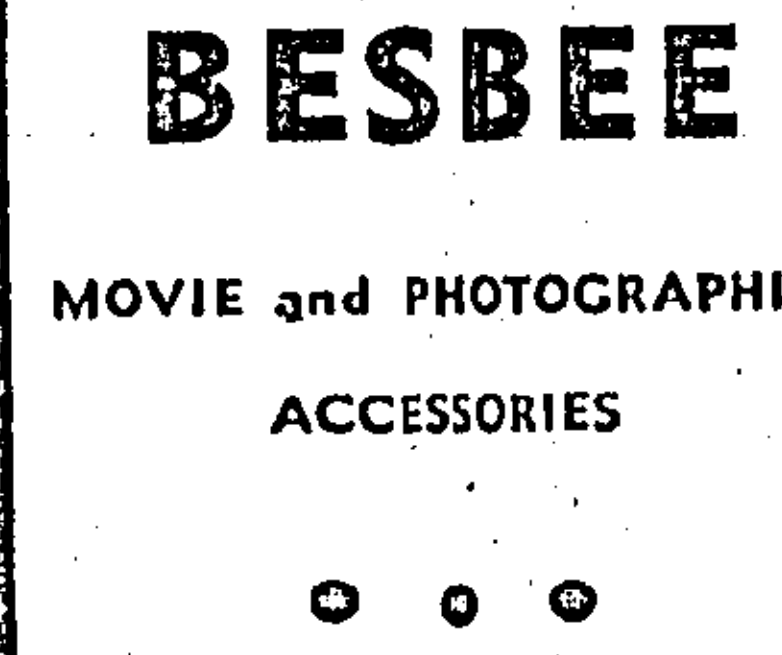
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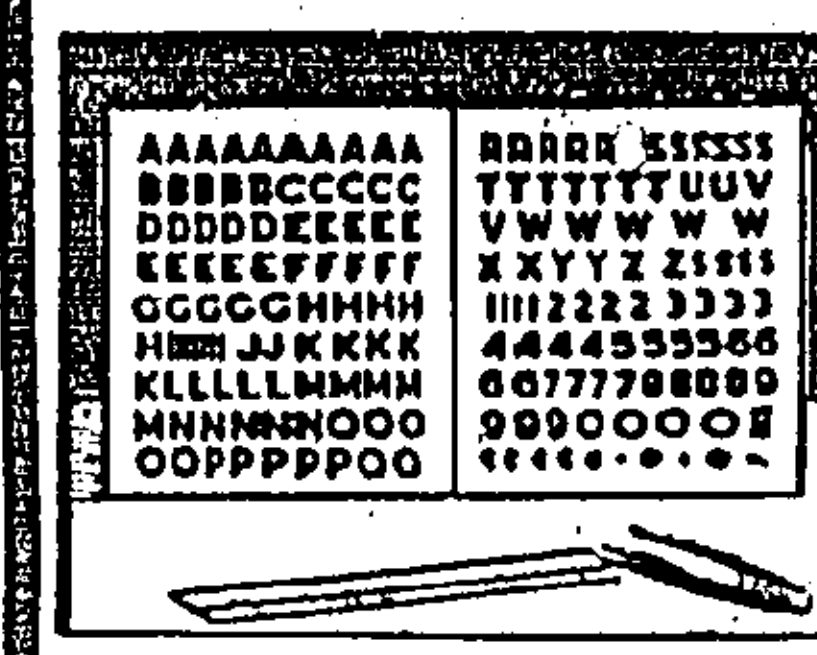
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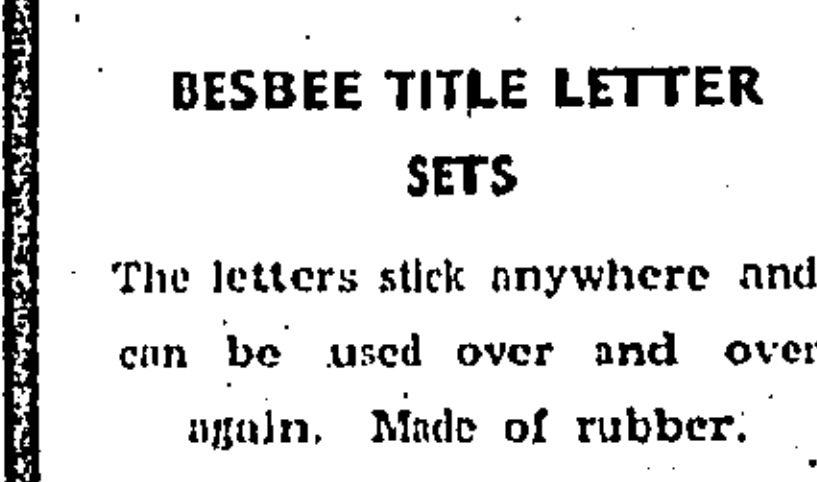
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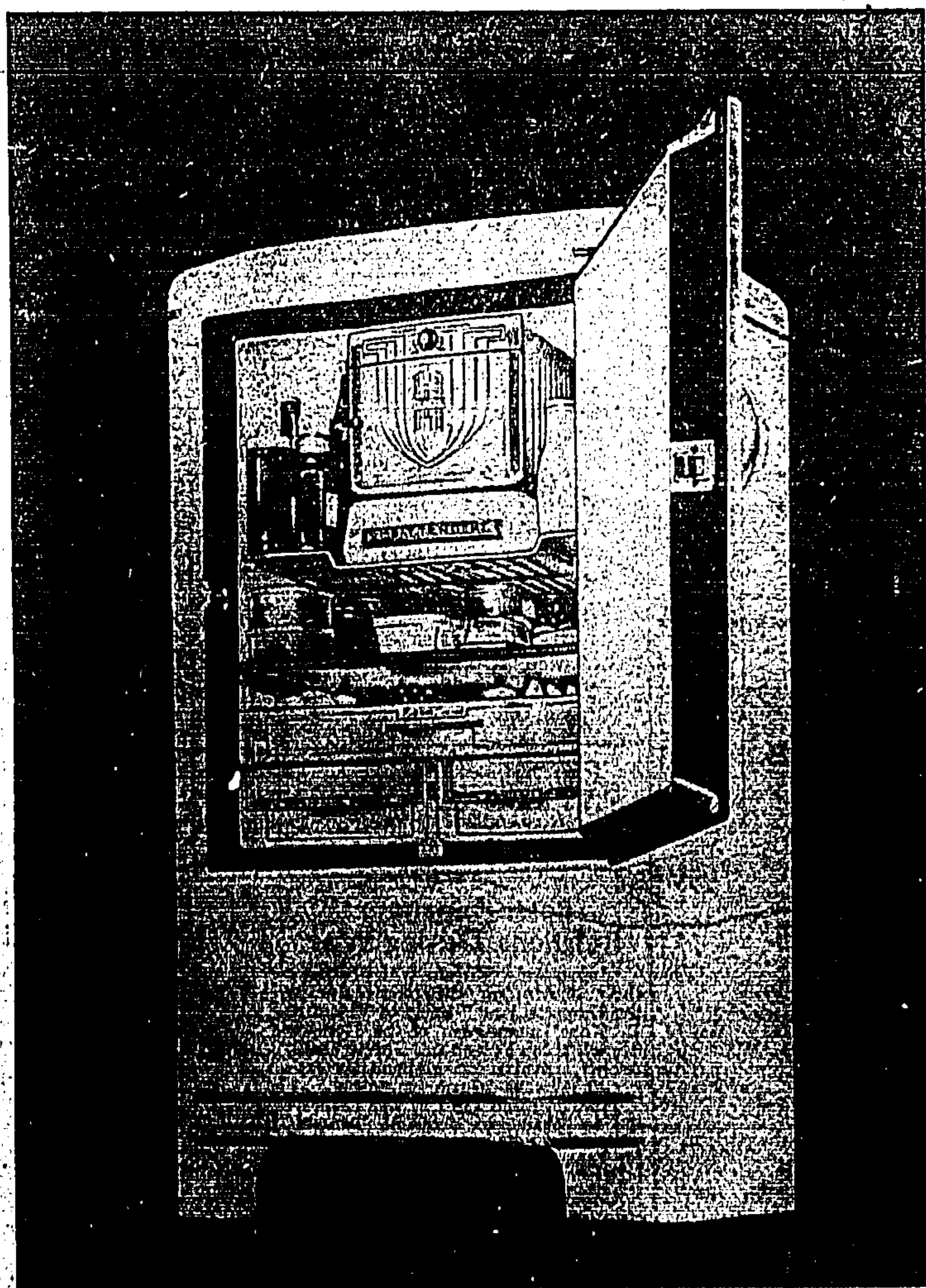
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## OBITUARY

### Old Resident's Sudden Death in Hotel

The sudden death from heart failure occurred in the Hongkong Hotel last night of an old resident, Mr. Oscar Benson, managing partner of Brewer's Book Shop. Mr. Benson was having dinner with friends when he complained of giddiness and left the table. He sat down on a couch and died before medical aid could be summoned.

Born in Victoria, Australia, 50 years ago, Mr. Benson came here with his family in 1898, and with the exception of short holidays, had lived here since. He was associated with the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Loxley's and Carroll Brothers for most of that time, but took over the management of Brewer's in 1937 on the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. Charles Watson.

In his youth Mr. Benson was a front rank tennis player in Colony games, representing Kowloon Cricket Club. Of a quiet nature, he was a great friend to many who will regret his passing.

Mr. Benson, who was not married, leaves two brothers, Mr. A. Benson, engineer on the Italian, and Mr. Ivo Benson, in South Africa, and two sisters, Mrs. M. White and Mrs. D. Watson, who are in England. A nephew, Mr. Eric Jordan, who is well known in Hongkong, is in Shanghai.

No funeral arrangements have yet been made but the burial will probably take place to-day.

## Tenth Anniversary

### Historic Publication By Ricci Hall Authorities

On December 10 Ricci Hall, standing at the west end of Hongkong as a perpetual memorial to Matteo Ricci, S.J., priest, Sinologist and scholar, celebrated its tenth anniversary, and as a record of its progress during the past ten years a small neatly bound booklet has been published entitled "Ricci Hall—A Decade."

Father Ricci belonged to the 16th century and was the greatest leader and pioneer of the first Jesuits who arrived in China for missionary work. In an article on "Foundation of Everlasting Peace" it is explained why a pioneering band of Jesuits when they had resolved to build a University hostel in Hongkong should call it Ricci Hall.

The activities of Ricci Hall, both intellectual and sporting, find a lasting record in the new publication which is profusely illustrated with pictures of the building and groups of students.

## LATE NEWS

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## HOSPITAL SHELLED

### Japanese Ship Attacks American Mission

Peking, Jan. 19.  
 A Japanese warship on January 4 shelled the American United Brethren Mission hospital at Siuanm, Kwangtung, wrecking the service quarters, windows and part of the compound, but there were no casualties.

On June 12 the hospital was shelled despite the prominent display of American flags. A Japanese Army spokesman denied to-day that Japanese troops burned and looted the Lungchow Mission.

The spokesman said that an investigation has revealed that the looting allegation was false. He said:

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**DEATH**  
 BENSON.—Oscar Rowan Benson, passed away suddenly on January 19, aged 57 years. Funeral passes Monument at 5 o'clock to-day.

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## RUSSIANS RETREAT

London, Jan. 19.  
 The Russian forces which aimed at the cutting of Finland's waistline are still retreating. Better fighting is reported for possession of the little village of Maarkijarvi, in the Salla sector.

A Soviet communiqué is silent on the operations on this front, continuing the news to reports of patrolling and artillery activity.

Foreign correspondents in Helsinki report that the Finnish military authorities are reluctant regarding the Finnish successes, but they declare that official silence usually preceded victories.—Reuter Bulletin.

**Finnish Ingenuity**

Helsinki, Jan. 19.  
 While the Finnish artillery harasses the enemy in front, tireless Finnish patrols continue their "mosquito" tactics on the Russian flanks.

After a month and a half of war it is probable that the Russians have learnt something of Finnish tactics and the element of brilliant surprise which has hitherto stood the Finns in good stead. It might be expected to diminish if it were not that the Finnish military leaders seem to have inexhaustible inventiveness.—Reuter.

## Philippines Not Yet Ready

Manila, Jan. 19.  
 Commenting on his recent tour of the Philippines, Mr. Francis B. Sayre, American High Commissioner, inferentially admitted that the islands were economically unprepared for independence in 1946 and he therefore strongly favoured extending the Philippine-American trade relations till 1960.

Mr. Sayre said he believed the investment of foreign capital between now and 1946 would be of great assistance to the islands, but he feared that the island's future economic uncertainty would deter foreign capital.

Describing the Asiatic Fleet's target practice which he witnessed yesterday, Mr. Sayre revealed that the fleet was undergoing reinforcement as well as strengthening supplies and equipment.

Mr. Sayre said that the Commonwealth had not yet undertaken steps to create naval defences. He admitted that he did not know of any Commonwealth steps for naval defence after independence.—United Press.

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### Russo-Japanese Relations During War

Shanghai, Jan. 19.  
 The United States authorities are reported to be dissatisfied with the reply given by the local Japanese consular authorities in connection with the slapping of an American woman, Miss Frances Donaldson.

A communiqué issued by the Japanese Consulate-General last night expressed the belief that the incident will be settled as the result of a letter forwarded to the United States Consul-General by Mr. Wachiaki Mura, Japanese Consul-General, yesterday.—Reuter.

Asked whether he considered Japan could last out the war in China economically, Viscount Kano admitted that the war was a big drain on the country's resources but soon, he added.

He said there was little fighting being carried out at present. "Peace will come in China very soon," he added.

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